1	LUCAL GUVERNMENT ENTITY CHANGES
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3	STATE OF UTAH
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7	LONG TITLE
8	General Description:
9	This bill modifies provisions relating to the process of certifying local government
10	actions affecting the name or boundary of a local entity.
11	Highlighted Provisions:
12	This bill:
13	modifies and clarifies the process of certifying:
14	 local government changes that affect or create local government boundaries; and
15	 local government name changes;
16	 provides a process for certifying final local entity plats for local government
17	boundary changes;
18	 eliminates a requirement for municipalities to prepare articles of incorporation as
19	part of the incorporation process and eliminates an alternative to filing articles of
20	incorporation;
21	 modifies the duties of the lieutenant governor, county surveyors, and county
22	recorders in the process of certifying local government boundary and name changes;
23	 modifies the process for a municipality to change its name;
24	 establishes the date of recording documents related to a boundary action as the
25	effective date of the boundary action for purposes of assessing property affected by



26	the boundary action;
27	 imposes restrictions on a local entity's imposition of property taxes, assessments, or
28	fees until documents related to the boundary action are recorded;
29	 modifies the event from which the effective date of a municipal annexation or
30	boundary adjustment is calculated;
31	 clarifies and makes technical changes relating to the process of consolidating
32	counties and the process of annexing part of one county to another county;
33	▶ limits a person from filing for recording a plat that depicts a local entity's boundary
34	as it exists as a result of a boundary action unless it complies with certain
35	requirements;
36	 modifies the duties of the surveyor within the Automated Geographic Reference
37	Center;
38	 makes a political subdivision's boundary in the State Geographic Information
39	Database the official boundary for purposes of US Census Bureau needs;
40	 modifies the process for counties to resolve a dispute or uncertainty about the true
41	location of a county boundary and replaces the state engineer with the surveyor in
42	the Automated Geographic Reference Center in that process; and
43	makes technical changes.
44	Monies Appropriated in this Bill:
45	None
46	Other Special Clauses:
47	None
48	Utah Code Sections Affected:
49	AMENDS:
50	10-1-118, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2000, Chapter 318
51	10-2-119, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2005, Chapter 233
52	10-2-120, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2005, Chapter 233
53	10-2-121, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2005, First Special Session, Chapter 9
54	10-2-125, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapters 16 and 19
55	10-2-302, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2001, Second Special Session, Chapter 4
56	10-2-418, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapters 329 and 378

57	10-2-419, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapter 329
58	10-2-425, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapters 329 and 378
59	10-2-507, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2005, Chapter 233
60	10-2-610, as last amended by Laws of Utah 1997, Chapter 389
61	10-2-611, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2005, Chapter 233
62	10-2-705, as enacted by Laws of Utah 1977, Chapter 48
63	10-2-711 , as last amended by Laws of Utah 2000, Chapter 318
64	10-2-712 , as last amended by Laws of Utah 2005, Chapter 233
65	10-6-111, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2005, Chapter 146
66	11-13-203, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2005, Chapter 233
67	11-13-204, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2005, Chapter 233
68	11-13-205, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2005, Chapters 105 and 233
69	17-3-3, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2005, Chapter 233
70	17-21-20, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapter 147
71	17-50-104 , as last amended by Laws of Utah 2005, Chapter 233
72	17-50-105 , as last amended by Laws of Utah 2005, Chapter 233
73	17B-1-105, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapter 329
74	17B-1-215, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 360
75	17B-1-216, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapter 329
76	17B-1-405, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapter 329
77	17B-1-414, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 118
78	17B-1-415, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapter 329
79	17B-1-416, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 118
80	17B-1-417, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapter 329
81	17B-1-512, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapter 329
82	17B-1-1308, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapter 329
83	17C-1-201, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2006, Chapter 359
84	17C-1-701, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2006, Chapter 359
85	17D-1-204 , as enacted by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 360
86	17D-1-208 , as enacted by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 360
87	17D-1-209 , as enacted by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 360

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88	17D-1-403, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 360
89	17D-1-603, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 360
90	17D-3-203, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 360
91	53A-2-101.5 , as enacted by Laws of Utah 2005, Chapter 233
92	53A-2-118, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 92
93	53A-2-118.1, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 92
94	63F-1-506, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2005, Chapter 233 and renumbered and
95	amended by Laws of Utah 2005, Chapter 169
96	63F-1-507, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapter 329
97	63G-7-401, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 382
98	67-1a-2, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapters 75 and 83
99	ENACTS:
100	17-2-101 , Utah Code Annotated 1953
101	17-2-102 , Utah Code Annotated 1953
102	17-2-201 , Utah Code Annotated 1953
103	17-2-202 , Utah Code Annotated 1953
104	17-23-20 , Utah Code Annotated 1953
105	59-2-305.5 , Utah Code Annotated 1953
106	67-1a-6.7 , Utah Code Annotated 1953
107	REPEALS AND REENACTS:
108	67-1a-6.5, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 360
109	RENUMBERS AND AMENDS:
110	17-2-103, (Renumbered from 17-2-1, as last amended by Laws of Utah 1993, Chapter
111	227)
112	17-2-104, (Renumbered from 17-2-3, as last amended by Laws of Utah 1984, Chapter
113	68)
114	17-2-105, (Renumbered from 17-2-4, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2005, Chapter
115	233)
116	17-2-106 , (Renumbered from 17-2-5, Utah Code Annotated 1953)
117	17-2-203, (Renumbered from 17-2-6, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2003, Chapter
118	258)

119	17-2-204, (Renumbered from 17-2-8, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2003, Chapter
120	258)
121	17-2-205, (Renumbered from 17-2-9, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2005, Chapter
122	233)
123	17-2-206, (Renumbered from 17-2-10, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2002, Sixth
124	Special Session, Chapter 3)
125	17-2-207, (Renumbered from 17-2-11, as last amended by Laws of Utah 1993, Chapter
126	227)
127	17-2-208, (Renumbered from 17-2-12, Utah Code Annotated 1953)
128	17-2-209, (Renumbered from 17-2-13, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2005, Chapter
129	233)
130	REPEALS:
131	10-1-116, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2005, Chapter 233
132	10-1-117, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapter 329
133	10-2-122, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2000, Chapter 38
134	10-2-508, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2003, Chapter 279
135	17-2-2, as last amended by Laws of Utah 1984, Chapter 68
136	17-2-7, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2003, Chapter 258
137	17-3-2, as last amended by Laws of Utah 1984, Chapter 68
138139	Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:
140	Section 1. Section 10-1-118 is amended to read:
141	10-1-118. Changing the name of a municipality.
142	(1) A municipality may change its name [by filing amended articles of incorporation as
143	provided in Section 10-1-117.] as provided in this section.
144	(2) To initiate a name change, the legislative body of a municipality shall:
145	(a) adopt an ordinance or resolution approving a name change; and
146	(b) file with the lieutenant governor a copy of a notice of an impending name change,
147	as defined in Section 67-1a-6.7, that meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.7(3).
148	(3) Upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of name change under
149	Section 67-1a-6.7, the municipal legislative body shall:

150	(a) if the municipality is located within the boundary of a single county, submit to the
151	recorder of that county:
152	(i) the original:
153	(A) notice of an impending name change; and
154	(B) certificate of name change; and
155	(ii) a certified copy of the ordinance or resolution approving the name change; or
156	(b) if the municipality is located within the boundaries of more than a single county:
157	(i) submit to the recorder of one of those counties:
158	(A) the original of the documents listed in Subsections (3)(a)(i)(A) and (B); and
159	(B) a certified copy of the ordinance or resolution approving the name change; and
160	(ii) submit to the recorder of each other county:
161	(A) a certified copy of the documents described in Subsections (3)(a)(i)(A) and (B);
162	<u>and</u>
163	(B) a certified copy of the ordinance or resolution approving the name change.
164	[(2)] (4) (a) The name change becomes effective upon the lieutenant governor's
165	[certification of the amended articles as provided in Subsection 10-1-117(3).] issuance of a
166	certificate of name change under Section 67-1a-6.7.
167	(b) Notwithstanding Subsection (4)(a), the municipality may not operate under the new
168	name until the documents listed in Subsection (3) are recorded in the office of the recorder of
169	each county in which the municipality is located.
170	Section 2. Section 10-2-119 is amended to read:
171	10-2-119. Filing of notice and approved final local entity plat with lieutenant
172	governor Effective date of incorporation Necessity of recording documents and effect
173	of not recording.
174	(1) [Within seven days after the canvass of the final election of city officers under
175	Section 10-2-116, the mayor-elect of the [new] future city shall [file at least three copies
176	of the articles of incorporation]:
177	(a) within 30 days after the canvass of the final election of city officers under Section
178	10-2-116, file with the lieutenant governor[-]:
179	[(2) The articles of incorporation shall:]
180	[(a) contain the name of the city;]

181	(b) contain an accurate map or plat, prepared by a licensed surveyor, approved by the
182	legislative body, and filed with the county surveyor in accordance with Section 17-23-17,
183	showing the boundaries of the city;]
184	[(c) contain the city's class according to population as defined in Section 10-2-301;
185	and]
186	[(d) be signed and verified by the mayor-elect of the city.]
187	[(3) The legislative body of the new city shall comply with the notice requirements of
188	Section 10-1-116.]
189	(i) a copy of a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5
190	that meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.5(3); and
191	(ii) a copy of an approved final local entity plat, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5; and
192	(b) upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of incorporation under
193	Section 67-1a-6.5:
194	(i) if the city is located within the boundary of a single county, submit to the recorder
195	of that county the original:
196	(A) notice of an impending boundary action;
197	(B) certificate of incorporation; and
198	(C) approved final local entity plat; or
199	(ii) if the city is located within the boundaries of more than a single county, submit the
200	original of the documents listed in Subsections (1)(b)(i)(A), (B), and (C) to one of those
201	counties and a certified copy of those documents to each other county.
202	(2) (a) The incorporation is effective upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a
203	certificate of incorporation under Section 67-1a-6.5.
204	(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a city is conclusively presumed to be
205	lawfully incorporated and existing if, for two years following the city's incorporation:
206	(i) (A) the city has levied and collected a property tax; or
207	(B) for a city incorporated on or after July 1, 1998, the city has imposed a sales and use
208	tax; and
209	(ii) no challenge to the existence or incorporation of the city has been filed in the
210	district court for the county in which the city is located.
211	(3) (a) The effective date of an incorporation for purposes of assessing property within

212	the new city is governed by Section 39-2-303.3.
213	(b) Until the documents listed in Subsection (1)(b) are recorded in the office of the
214	recorder of each county in which the property is located, a newly incorporated city may not:
215	(i) levy or collect a property tax on property within the city:
216	(ii) levy or collect an assessment on property within the city; or
217	(iii) charge or collect a fee for service provided to property within the city.
218	Section 3. Section 10-2-120 is amended to read:
219	10-2-120. Powers of officers-elect.
220	[(1) (a) Before filing articles of incorporation, the mayor-elect of the future city may
221	file with the lieutenant governor a verified notice of intention to file the articles of
222	incorporation.]
223	[(b) The notice under Subsection (1)(a) shall contain:]
224	[(i) the name of the future city;]
225	[(ii) an accurate map or plat, prepared by a licensed surveyor, approved by the
226	legislative body, and filed with the county surveyor in accordance with Section 17-23-17,
227	showing the boundaries of the future city;]
228	[(iii) the city's class according to population as defined in Section 10-2-301; and]
229	[(iv) the proposed date for filing the articles of incorporation.]
230	[(2)] (1) Upon the [lieutenant governor's certification of the notice] canvass of the final
231	election of city officers under Section [67-1a-6.5] 10-2-116 and until the future city becomes
232	legally incorporated, the officers of the future city may:
233	(a) prepare and adopt, under Chapter 6, Uniform Fiscal Procedures Act for Utah Cities,
234	a proposed budget and compilation of ordinances;
235	(b) negotiate and make personnel contracts and hirings;
236	(c) negotiate and make service contracts;
237	[(d) file the notification required by Subsection 10-1-116(1);]
238	[(e)] (d) negotiate and make contracts to purchase equipment, materials, and supplies;
239	[(f)] (e) borrow funds from the county in which the future city is located under
240	Subsection 10-2-121(3);
241	$[\underline{(g)}]$ (f) borrow funds for startup expenses of the future $[\underline{\text{municipality}}]$ $\underline{\text{city}}$; $\hat{\mathbf{H}} \rightarrow [\underline{\text{and}}] \leftarrow \hat{\mathbf{H}}$
242	[(h)] (g) issue tax anticipation notes in the name of the future [municipality] $\underline{\text{city}}$ $\hat{\mathbf{H}} \rightarrow [-]$;
242a	<u>and</u>
242b	(h) make appointments to the city's planning commission.

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243	[(3)] (2) The city's legislative body shall review and ratify each contract made by the
244	officers-elect under Subsection [(2)] (1) within 30 days [of] after the effective date of
245	incorporation under Section [10-2-122] <u>10-2-119</u> .
246	Section 4. Section 10-2-121 is amended to read:
247	10-2-121. Division of municipal-type services revenues County may provide
248	startup funds.
249	(1) The county in which an area incorporating under this part is located shall, until the
250	date of the city's incorporation under Section [10-2-122] <u>10-2-119</u> , continue:
251	(a) to levy and collect ad valorem property tax and other revenues from or pertaining to
252	the future city; and
253	(b) except as otherwise agreed by the county and the officers-elect of the city [after the
254	filing of the notice under Subsection 10-2-120(1)], to provide the same services to the future
255	city as the county provided before the commencement of the incorporation proceedings.
256	(2) (a) The legislative body of the county in which a newly incorporated city is located
257	shall share pro rata with the new city, based on the date of incorporation, the taxes and service
258	charges or fees levied and collected by the county under Section 17-34-3 during the year of the
259	new city's incorporation if and to the extent that the new city provides, by itself or by contract,
260	the same services for which the county levied and collected the taxes and service charges or
261	fees.
262	(b) (i) The legislative body of a county in which a city incorporated after January 1,
263	2004, is located may share with the new city taxes and service charges or fees that were levied
264	and collected by the county under Section 17-34-3:
265	(A) before the year of the new city's incorporation;
266	(B) from the previously unincorporated area that, because of the city's incorporation, is
267	located within the boundaries of the newly incorporated city; and
268	(C) for the purpose of providing services to the area that before the new city's
269	incorporation was unincorporated.
270	(ii) A county legislative body may share taxes and service charges or fees under

(3) (a) The legislative body of a county in which an area incorporating under this part is

Subsection (2)(b)(i) by a direct appropriation of funds or by a credit or offset against amounts

due under a contract for municipal-type services provided by the county to the new city.

Subsection (2)(a)(i) if:

274	located may appropriate county funds to:
275	(i) before incorporation but after [a notice under Subsection 10-2-120(1) is filed] the
276	canvass of the final election of city officers under Section 10-2-116, the officers-elect of the
277	future city to pay startup expenses of the future city; or
278	(ii) after incorporation, the new city.
279	(b) Funds appropriated under Subsection (3)(a) may be distributed in the form of a
280	grant, a loan, or as an advance against future distributions under Subsection (2).
281	[(4) (a) Within 30 days of incorporation, the legislative body of the new city shall
282	record with the recorder of the county in which the new city is located a plat or map, prepared
283	by a licensed surveyor and approved by the legislative body of the new city, the county
284	recorder, and county surveyor, showing the boundaries of the new city.]
285	[(b) The legislative body of the new city shall comply with the notice requirements of
286	Section 10-1-116.]
287	Section 5. Section 10-2-125 is amended to read:
288	10-2-125. Incorporation of a town.
289	(1) As used in this section:
290	(a) "Assessed value," with respect to agricultural land, means the value at which the
291	land would be assessed without regard to a valuation for agricultural use under Section
292	59-2-503.
293	(b) "Financial feasibility study" means a study to determine:
294	(i) the projected revenues for the proposed town during the first three years after
295	incorporation; and
296	(ii) the projected costs, including overhead, that the proposed town will incur in
297	providing governmental services during the first three years after incorporation.
298	(c) "Municipal service" means a publicly provided service that is not provided on a
299	countywide basis.
300	(d) "Nonurban" means having a residential density of less than one unit per acre.
301	(2) (a) (i) A contiguous area of a county not within a municipality, with a population of
302	at least 100 but less than 1,000, may incorporate as a town as provided in this section.
303	(ii) An area within a county of the first class is not contiguous for purposes of

305 (A) the area includes a strip of land that connects geographically separate areas; and 306 (B) the distance between the geographically separate areas is greater than the average 307 width of the strip of land connecting the geographically separate areas. 308 (b) The population figure under Subsection (2)(a) shall be determined: 309 (i) as of the date the incorporation petition is filed; and 310 (ii) by the Utah Population Estimates Committee within 20 days after the county clerk's 311 certification under Subsection (6) of a petition filed under Subsection (4). 312 (3) (a) The process to incorporate an area as a town is initiated by filing a request for a 313 public hearing with the clerk of the county in which the area is located. 314 (b) Each request for a public hearing under Subsection (3)(a) shall: 315 (i) be signed by the owners of at least five separate parcels of private real property, 316 each owned by a different owner, located within the area proposed to be incorporated; and 317 (ii) be accompanied by an accurate map or plat depicting the boundary of the proposed 318 town. 319 (c) Within ten days after a request for a public hearing is filed under Subsection (3)(a), 320 the county clerk shall, with the assistance of other county officers from whom the clerk 321 requests assistance, determine whether the petition complies with the requirements of 322 Subsection (3)(b). 323 (d) If the clerk determines that a request under Subsection (3)(a) fails to comply with 324 the requirements of Subsection (3)(b), the clerk shall reject the request and deliver written notice of the rejection to the signers of the request. 325 326 (e) (i) If the clerk determines that a request under Subsection (3)(a) complies with the 327 requirements of Subsection (3)(b), the clerk shall: 328 (A) schedule and arrange for a public hearing to be held: 329 (I) (Aa) at a public facility located within the boundary of the proposed town; or 330 (Bb) if there is no public facility within the boundary of the proposed town, at another 331 nearby public facility or at the county seat; and 332 (II) within 20 days after the clerk provides the last notice required under Subsection 333 (3)(e)(i)(B); and 334 (B) subject to Subsection (3)(e)(ii), give notice of the public hearing on the proposed 335 incorporation by:

336	(1) posting notice of the public hearing on the county's Internet website, if the county
337	has an Internet website; and
338	(II) (Aa) publishing notice of the public hearing at least once a week for two
339	consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation within the proposed town; or
340	(Bb) if there is no newspaper of general circulation within the proposed town, posting
341	notice of the public hearing in at least five conspicuous public places within the proposed town
342	(ii) The posting of notice required under Subsection (3)(e)(i)(B)(I) and, if applicable,
343	Subsection (3)(e)(i)(B)(II)(Bb) and the first publishing of notice required under Subsection
344	(3)(e)(i)(B)(II)(Aa), if applicable, shall occur no later than ten days after the clerk determines
345	that a request complies with the requirements of Subsection (3)(b).
346	(iii) Each public hearing under Subsection (3)(e)(i)(A) shall be conducted by the chair
347	of the county commission or council, or the chair's designee, to:
348	(A) introduce the concept of the proposed incorporation to the public;
349	(B) allow the public to review the map or plat of the boundary of the proposed town;
350	(C) allow the public to ask questions and become informed about the proposed
351	incorporation; and
352	(D) allow the public to express their views about the proposed incorporation, including
353	their views about the boundary of the area proposed to be incorporated.
354	(4) (a) At any time within three months after the public hearing under Subsection
355	(3)(e), a petition to incorporate the area as a town may be filed with the clerk of the county in
356	which the area is located.
357	(b) Each petition under Subsection (4)(a) shall:
358	(i) be signed by:
359	(A) the owners of private real property that:
360	(I) is located within the area proposed to be incorporated;
361	(II) covers a majority of the total private land area within the area;
362	(III) is equal in assessed value to more than 1/2 of the assessed value of all private real
363	property within the area; and
364	(IV) consists, in number of parcels, of at least 1/3 of the number of all parcels of
365	private real property within the area proposed to be incorporated; and
366	(B) a majority of all registered voters within the area proposed to be incorporated as a

367	town, according to the official voter registration list maintained by the county on the date the
368	petition is filed;
369	(ii) designate as sponsors at least five of the property owners who have signed the
370	petition, one of whom shall be designated as the contact sponsor, with the mailing address of
371	each owner signing as a sponsor;
372	(iii) be accompanied by and circulated with an accurate map or plat, prepared by a
373	licensed surveyor, showing a legal description of the boundary of the proposed town; and
374	(iv) substantially comply with and be circulated in the following form:
375	PETITION FOR INCORPORATION OF (insert the proposed name of the proposed
376	town)
377	To the Honorable County Legislative Body of (insert the name of the county in which
378	the proposed town is located) County, Utah:
379	We, the undersigned owners of real property and registered voters within the area
380	described in this petition, respectfully petition the county legislative body for the area described
381	in this petition to be incorporated as a town. Each of the undersigned affirms that each has
382	personally signed this petition and is an owner of real property or a registered voter residing
383	within the described area, and that the current residence address of each is correctly written
384	after the signer's name. The area proposed to be incorporated as a town is described as follows:
385	(insert an accurate description of the area proposed to be incorporated).
386	(c) A petition under this Subsection (4) may not describe an area that includes some or
387	all of an area proposed for annexation in an annexation petition under Section 10-2-403 that:
388	(i) was filed before the filing of the petition; and
389	(ii) is still pending on the date the petition is filed.
390	(d) A petition may not be filed under this section if the private real property owned by
391	the petition sponsors, designated under Subsection (4)(b)(ii), cumulatively exceeds 40% of the
392	total private land area within the area proposed to be incorporated as a town.
393	(e) A signer of a petition under this Subsection (4) may withdraw or, after withdrawn,
394	reinstate the signer's signature on the petition:
395	(i) at any time until the county clerk certifies the petition under Subsection (6); and
396	(ii) by filing a signed, written withdrawal or reinstatement with the county clerk.

(5) (a) If a petition is filed under Subsection (4)(a) proposing to incorporate as a town

398	an area located within a county of the first class, the county clerk shall deliver written notice of
399	the proposed incorporation:
400	(i) to each owner of private real property owning more than 1% of the assessed value
401	of all private real property within the area proposed to be incorporated as a town; and
402	(ii) within seven calendar days after the date on which the petition is filed.
403	(b) A private real property owner described in Subsection (5)(a)(i) may exclude all or
404	part of the owner's property from the area proposed to be incorporated as a town by filing a
405	notice of exclusion:
406	(i) with the county clerk; and
407	(ii) within ten calendar days after receiving the clerk's notice under Subsection (5)(a).
408	(c) The county legislative body shall exclude from the area proposed to be incorporated
409	as a town the property identified in the notice of exclusion under Subsection (5)(b) if:
410	(i) the property:
411	(A) is nonurban; and
412	(B) does not and will not require a municipal service; and
413	(ii) exclusion will not leave an unincorporated island within the proposed town.
414	(d) If the county legislative body excludes property from the area proposed to be
415	incorporated as a town, the county legislative body shall send written notice of the exclusion to
416	the contact sponsor within five days after the exclusion.
417	(6) Within 20 days after the filing of a petition under Subsection (4), the county clerk
418	shall:
419	(a) with the assistance of other county officers from whom the clerk requests
420	assistance, determine whether the petition complies with the requirements of Subsection (4);
421	and
122	(b) (i) if the clerk determines that the petition complies with those requirements:
123	(A) certify the petition and deliver the certified petition to the county legislative body;
124	and
425	(B) mail or deliver written notification of the certification to:
126	(I) the contact sponsor;

(II) if applicable, the chair of the planning commission of each township in which any

part of the area proposed for incorporation is located; and

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429	(III) the Utah Population Estimates Committee; or
430	(ii) if the clerk determines that the petition fails to comply with any of those
431	requirements, reject the petition and notify the contact sponsor in writing of the rejection and
432	the reasons for the rejection.
433	(7) (a) (i) A petition that is rejected under Subsection (6)(b)(ii) may be amended to
434	correct a deficiency for which it was rejected and then refiled with the county clerk.
435	(ii) A valid signature on a petition filed under Subsection (4)(a) may be used toward
436	fulfilling the signature requirement of Subsection (4)(b) for the same petition that is amended
437	under Subsection (7)(a)(i) and then refiled with the county clerk.
438	(b) If a petition is amended and refiled under Subsection (7)(a)(i) after having been
439	rejected by the county clerk under Subsection (6)(b)(ii):
440	(i) the amended petition shall be considered as a newly filed petition; and
441	(ii) the amended petition's processing priority is determined by the date on which it is
442	refiled.
443	(8) (a) (i) The legislative body of a county with which a petition is filed under
444	Subsection (4) may, at its option and upon the petition being certified under Subsection (6),
445	commission and pay for a financial feasibility study.
446	(ii) If the county legislative body chooses to commission a financial feasibility study,
447	the county legislative body shall:
448	(A) within 20 days after the incorporation petition is certified, select and engage a
449	feasibility consultant; and
450	(B) require the feasibility consultant to complete the financial feasibility study and
451	submit written results of the study to the county legislative body no later than 30 days after the
452	feasibility consultant is engaged to conduct the financial feasibility study.
453	(b) The county legislative body shall approve a petition proposing the incorporation of
454	a town and hold an election for town officers, as provided in Subsection (9), if:
455	(i) the county clerk has certified the petition under Subsection (6); and
456	(ii) (A) (I) the county legislative body has commissioned a financial feasibility study
457	under Subsection (8)(a); and
458	(II) the results of the financial feasibility study show that the average annual amount of

revenues described in Subsection (1)(b)(i) does not exceed the average annual amount of costs

described in Subsection (1)(b)(ii) by more than 10%; or

- (B) the county legislative body chooses not to commission a financial feasibility study.
- (c) (i) If the county legislative body commissions a financial feasibility study under Subsection (8)(a) and the results of the financial feasibility study show that the average annual amount of revenues described in Subsection (1)(b)(i) exceeds the average annual amount of costs described in Subsection (1)(b)(ii) by more than 10%, the county legislative body may:
- (A) deny the petition, subject to Subsection (8)(c)(ii), if the results of the financial feasibility study show that the average annual amount of revenues described in Subsection (1)(b)(i) exceeds the average annual amount of costs described in Subsection (1)(b)(ii) by 25% or more;
- (B) approve the petition and hold an election for town officers, as provided in Subsection (9); or
 - (C) (I) with the consent of the petition sponsors:
- (Aa) impose conditions to mitigate the fiscal inequities identified in the financial feasibility study; or
- (Bb) alter the boundaries of the area proposed to be incorporated as a town to approximate the boundaries necessary to prevent the average annual amount of revenues described in Subsection (1)(b)(i) from exceeding the average annual amount of costs described in Subsection (1)(b)(ii); and
- (II) approve the incorporation petition and hold an election for town officers, as provided in Subsection (9).
- (ii) A county legislative body intending to deny a petition under Subsection (8)(c)(i)(A) shall deny the petition within 20 days after the feasibility consultant submits the written results of the financial feasibility study.
- (d) Each town that incorporates pursuant to a petition approved after the county legislative body imposes conditions under Subsection (8)(c)(i)(C)(I) shall comply with those conditions.
- (9) (a) The legislative body of the county in which the proposed new town is located shall hold the election for town officers provided for in Subsection (8) within:
 - (i) 45 days after the petition is certified, for an election under Subsection (8)(b)(ii)(B);
- 490 (ii) 45 days after the feasibility consultant submits the written results of the financial

491	feasibility study, for an election under Subsection (8)(b)(ii)(A) or (8)(c)(i)(B); or
492	(iii) 60 days after the feasibility consultant submits the written results of the financial
493	feasibility study, for an election under Subsection (8)(c)(i)(C).
494	(b) The officers elected at an election under Subsection (9)(a) shall take office:
495	(i) at noon on the first Monday in January next following the election, if the election is
496	held on a regular general or municipal general election date; or
497	(ii) at noon on the first day of the month next following the effective date of the
498	incorporation under Subsection (12), if the election of officers is held on any other date.
499	(10) Each newly incorporated town shall operate under the five-member council form
500	of government as defined in Section 10-3b-102.
501	(11) [(a) Within seven days after the canvass of the election of town officers under
502	Subsection (9), the] The mayor-elect of the [new] future town shall [file at least three copies of
503	the articles of incorporation of the new town]:
504	(a) within 30 days after the canvass of the election of town officers under Subsection
505	(9), file with the lieutenant governor[-]:
506	[(b) The articles of incorporation shall meet the requirements of Subsection
507	10-2-119(2).]
508	(i) a copy of a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5
509	that meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.5(3); and
510	(ii) a copy of an approved final local entity plat, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5; and
511	(b) upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of incorporation under
512	Section 67-1a-6.5:
513	(i) if the town is located within the boundary of a single county, submit to the recorder
514	of that county the original:
515	(A) notice of an impending boundary action;
516	(B) certificate of incorporation; and
517	(C) approved final local entity plat; or
518	(ii) if the town is located within the boundaries of more than a single county, submit
519	the original of the documents listed in Subsections (11)(b)(i)(A), (B), and (C) to one of those
520	counties and a certified copy of those documents to each other county.
521	(12) (a) A new town is incorporated:

522	$\left[\frac{a}{a}\right]$ on December 31 of the year in which the lieutenant governor issues a
523	certificate of [entity creation for the town] incorporation under Section 67-1a-6.5, if the
524	election of town officers under Subsection (9) is held on a regular general or municipal general
525	election date; or
526	[(b)] (ii) on the last day of the month during which the lieutenant governor issues a
527	certificate of [entity creation for the town] incorporation under Section 67-1a-6.5, if the
528	election of town officers under Subsection (9) is held on any other date.
529	(b) (i) The effective date of an incorporation for purposes of assessing property within
530	the new town is governed by Section 59-2-305.5.
531	(ii) Until the documents listed in Subsection (11)(b) are recorded in the office of the
532	recorder of each county in which the property is located, a newly incorporated town may not:
533	(A) levy or collect a property tax on property within the town;
534	(B) levy or collect an assessment on property within the town; or
535	(C) charge or collect a fee for service provided to property within the town.
536	(13) For each petition filed before March 5, 2008:
537	(a) the petition is subject to and governed by the law in effect at the time the petition
538	was filed; and
539	(b) the law in effect at the time the petition was filed governs in all administrative and
540	judicial proceedings relating to the petition.
541	Section 6. Section 10-2-302 is amended to read:
542	10-2-302. Change of class of municipality.
543	(1) Each municipality shall retain its classification under Section 10-2-301 until
544	changed as provided in this section or Subsection 67-1a-2(3).
545	[(2) The lieutenant governor shall monitor the population figure for each municipality
546	as shown on:]
547	[(a) each official census or census estimate of the United States Bureau of the Census;
548	or]
549	[(b) if the population figure for a municipality is not available from the United States
550	Bureau of the Census, the population estimate from the Utah Population Estimates
551	Committee.]
552	[(3) If the applicable population figure under Subsection (2) indicates that a

553	municipality's population has increased beyond the limit for its current class, the lieutenant
554	governor shall:
555	[(a) prepare a certificate indicating the class in which the municipality belongs based
556	on the increased population figure; and]
557	[(b) within ten days after preparing the certificate, deliver a copy of the certificate to
558	the legislative body of the municipality whose class has changed.]
559	[(4) (a)] (2) If [the applicable] a municipality's population [figure], as determined by
560	the lieutenant governor under Subsection [(2)] 67-1a-2(3), indicates that [a] the municipality's
561	population has decreased below the limit for its current class, the legislative body of the
562	municipality may petition the lieutenant governor to prepare a certificate indicating the class in
563	which the municipality belongs based on the decreased population figure.
564	[(b) Upon receipt of a petition under Subsection (4)(a), the lieutenant governor shall
565	prepare the certificate, and within ten days after preparing the certificate, deliver a copy of the
566	certificate to the legislative body of the municipality whose class has changed.]
567	[(5)] (3) A municipality's change in class is effective on the date of the lieutenant
568	governor's certificate under Subsection [(3) or (4)] 67-1a-2(3).
569	Section 7. Section 10-2-418 is amended to read:
570	10-2-418. Annexation of an island or peninsula without a petition Notice
571	Hearing.
572	(1) (a) Notwithstanding Subsection 10-2-402(2), a municipality may annex an
573	unincorporated area under this section without an annexation petition if:
574	(i) (A) the area to be annexed consists of one or more unincorporated islands within or
575	unincorporated peninsulas contiguous to the municipality;
576	(B) the majority of each island or peninsula consists of residential or commercial
577	development;
578	(C) the area proposed for annexation requires the delivery of municipal-type services;
579	and
580	(D) the municipality has provided most or all of the municipal-type services to the area
581	for more than one year; or
582	(ii) (A) the area to be annexed consists of one or more unincorporated islands within or
583	unincorporated peninsulas contiguous to the municipality, each of which has fewer than 800

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- (B) the municipality has provided one or more municipal-type services to the area for at least one year.
- (b) Notwithstanding Subsection 10-2-402(1)(b)(iii), a municipality may annex a portion of an island or peninsula under this section, leaving unincorporated the remainder of the unincorporated island or peninsula, if:
- (i) in adopting the resolution under Subsection (2)(a)(i), the municipal legislative body determines that not annexing the entire unincorporated island or peninsula is in the municipality's best interest; and
- (ii) for an annexation of one or more unincorporated islands under Subsection (1)(a)(ii), the entire island of unincorporated area, of which a portion is being annexed, complies with the requirement of Subsection (1)(a)(ii)(A) relating to the number of residents.
- (2) (a) The legislative body of each municipality intending to annex an area under this section shall:
- (i) adopt a resolution indicating the municipal legislative body's intent to annex the area, describing the area proposed to be annexed;
- (ii) (A) publish notice at least once a week for three successive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation within the municipality and the area proposed for annexation; or
- (B) if there is no newspaper of general circulation in the areas described in Subsection (2)(a)(ii)(A), post at least one notice per 1,000 population in places within those areas that are most likely to give notice to the residents of those areas;
- (iii) send written notice to the board of each local district and special service district whose boundaries contain some or all of the area proposed for annexation and to the legislative body of the county in which the area proposed for annexation is located; and
- (iv) hold a public hearing on the proposed annexation no earlier than 30 days after the adoption of the resolution under Subsection (2)(a)(i).
 - (b) Each notice under Subsections (2)(a)(ii) and (iii) shall:
- (i) state that the municipal legislative body has adopted a resolution indicating its intent to annex the area proposed for annexation;
 - (ii) state the date, time, and place of the public hearing under Subsection (2)(a)(iv);
- 614 (iii) describe the area proposed for annexation; and

(iv) except for an annexation that meets the property owner consent requirements of
Subsection (3)(b), state in conspicuous and plain terms that the municipal legislative body will
annex the area unless, at or before the public hearing under Subsection (2)(a)(iv), written
protests to the annexation are filed by the owners of private real property that:

- (A) is located within the area proposed for annexation;
- (B) covers a majority of the total private land area within the entire area proposed for annexation; and
- (C) is equal in value to at least 1/2 the value of all private real property within the entire area proposed for annexation.
- (c) The first publication of the notice required under Subsection (2)(a)(ii)(A) shall be within 14 days of the municipal legislative body's adoption of a resolution under Subsection (2)(a)(i).
- (3) (a) Upon conclusion of the public hearing under Subsection (2)(a)(iv), the municipal legislative body may adopt an ordinance [annexing] approving the annexation of the area proposed for annexation under this section unless, at or before the hearing, written protests to the annexation have been filed with the city recorder or town clerk, as the case may be, by the owners of private real property that:
 - (i) is located within the area proposed for annexation;
- (ii) covers a majority of the total private land area within the entire area proposed for annexation; and
- (iii) is equal in value to at least 1/2 the value of all private real property within the entire area proposed for annexation.
- (b) (i) Upon conclusion of the public hearing under Subsection (2)(a)(iv), a municipality may adopt an ordinance [annexing] approving the annexation of the area proposed for annexation under this section without allowing or considering protests under Subsection (3)(a) if the owners of at least 75% of the total private land area within the entire area proposed for annexation, representing at least 75% of the value of the private real property within the entire area proposed for annexation, have consented in writing to the annexation.
- (ii) Upon [adoption of] the effective date under Section 10-2-425 of an annexation approved by an ordinance adopted under Subsection (3)(b)(i), the area annexed shall be conclusively presumed to be validly annexed.

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646	(4) (a) If protests are timely filed that comply with Subsection (3), the municipal
647	legislative body may not adopt an ordinance [annexing] approving the annexation of the area
648	proposed for annexation, and the annexation proceedings under this section shall be considered
649	terminated.
650	(b) Subsection (4)(a) may not be construed to prohibit the municipal legislative body
651	from excluding from a proposed annexation under Subsection (1)(a)(ii) the property within an
652	unincorporated island regarding which protests have been filed and proceeding under
653	Subsection (1)(b) to annex some or all of the remaining portion of the unincorporated island.
654	Section 8. Section 10-2-419 is amended to read:
655	10-2-419. Boundary adjustment Notice and hearing Protest.
656	(1) The legislative bodies of two or more municipalities having common boundaries
657	may adjust their common boundaries as provided in this section.
658	(2) (a) The legislative body of each municipality intending to adjust a boundary that is
659	common with another municipality shall:
660	(i) adopt a resolution indicating the intent of the municipal legislative body to adjust a
661	common boundary;
662	(ii) hold a public hearing on the proposed adjustment no less than 60 days after the
663	adoption of the resolution under Subsection (2)(a)(i); and
664	(iii) (A) publish notice at least once a week for three successive weeks in a newspaper
665	of general circulation within the municipality; or
666	(B) if there is no newspaper of general circulation within the municipality, post at least
667	one notice per 1,000 population in places within the municipality that are most likely to give
668	notice to residents of the municipality.
669	(b) The notice required under Subsection (2)(a)(iii) shall:
670	(i) state that the municipal legislative body has adopted a resolution indicating the
671	municipal legislative body's intent to adjust a boundary that the municipality has in common
672	with another municipality;
673	(ii) describe the area proposed to be adjusted;
674	(iii) state the date, time, and place of the public hearing required under Subsection

(iv) state in conspicuous and plain terms that the municipal legislative body will adjust

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- 677 the boundaries unless, at or before the public hearing under Subsection (2)(a)(ii), written 678 protests to the adjustment are filed by the owners of private real property that: 679 (A) is located within the area proposed for adjustment; 680 (B) covers at least 25% of the total private land area within the area proposed for 681 adjustment; and 682 (C) is equal in value to at least 15% of the value of all private real property within the 683 area proposed for adjustment; and 684 (v) state that the area that is the subject of the boundary adjustment will, because of the 685 boundary adjustment, be automatically annexed to a local district providing fire protection, 686 paramedic, and emergency services, as provided in Section 17B-1-416, if: 687 (A) the municipality to which the area is being added because of the boundary 688 adjustment is entirely within the boundaries of a local district: 689 (I) that provides fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services; and 690 (II) in the creation of which an election was not required because of Subsection 691 17B-1-214(3)(c); and 692 (B) the municipality from which the area is being taken because of the boundary 693 adjustment is not within the boundaries of the local district; and 694 (vi) state that the area proposed for annexation to the municipality will be 695 automatically withdrawn from a local district providing fire protection, paramedic, and 696 emergency services, as provided in Subsection 17B-1-502(2), if: 697 (A) the municipality to which the area is being added because of the boundary 698 adjustment is not within the boundaries of a local district: 699 (I) that provides fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services; and 700 (II) in the creation of which an election was not required because of Subsection 701 17B-1-214(3)(c); and 702 (B) the municipality from which the area is being taken because of the boundary 703 adjustment is entirely within the boundaries of the local district. 704 (c) The first publication of the notice required under Subsection (2)(a)(iii)(A) shall be
 - (3) Upon conclusion of the public hearing under Subsection (2)(a)(ii), the municipal

within 14 days of the municipal legislative body's adoption of a resolution under Subsection

708	legislative body may adopt an ordinance [adjusting] approving the adjustment of the common
709	boundary unless, at or before the hearing under Subsection (2)(a)(ii), written protests to the
710	adjustment have been filed with the city recorder or town clerk, as the case may be, by the
711	owners of private real property that:
712	(a) is located within the area proposed for adjustment;
713	(b) covers at least 25% of the total private land area within the area proposed for
714	adjustment; and
715	(c) is equal in value to at least 15% of the value of all private real property within the
716	area proposed for adjustment.
717	(4) The municipal legislative body shall comply with the requirements of Section
718	10-2-425 as if the boundary [change] adjustment were an annexation.
719	(5) (a) An ordinance adopted under Subsection (3) becomes effective when each
720	municipality involved in the boundary adjustment has adopted an ordinance under Subsection
721	(3) [and as determined under Subsection 10-2-425(5) if the boundary change were an
722	annexation].
723	(b) The effective date of a boundary adjustment under this section is governed by
724	Section 10-2-425.
725	Section 9. Section 10-2-425 is amended to read:
726	10-2-425. Filing of plat or map and amended articles Notice requirements.
727	[(1) Within 30 days after enacting an ordinance annexing an unincorporated area or
728	adjusting a boundary under this part, the municipal legislative body shall:
729	[(a) send notice of the enactment to each affected entity;]
730	[(b)] (1) The legislative body of each municipality that enacts an ordinance under this
731	part approving the annexation of an unincorporated area or the adjustment of a boundary shall:
732	(a) within 30 days after enacting the ordinance or, in the case of a boundary
733	adjustment, within 30 days after each of the municipalities involved in the boundary
734	adjustment has enacted an ordinance, file with the lieutenant governor:
735	[(i) a certified copy of the ordinance approving the annexation or boundary adjustment,
736	together with a plat or map prepared by a licensed surveyor, approved by the municipal
737	legislative body, and filed with the county surveyor in accordance with Section 17-23-17,
738	showing the new boundaries of the affected area; and]

739	[(ii) (A) if the municipality has articles of incorporation, amended articles of
740	incorporation reflecting the annexation or boundary adjustment, as provided in Section
741	10-1-117; or]
742	[(B) if the municipality does not have articles of incorporation, written notice of the
743	adoption of an annexation ordinance, accompanied by a copy of the ordinance; and]
744	(i) a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5, that
745	meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.5(3); and
746	(ii) a copy of an approved final local entity plat, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5; and
747	(b) upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of annexation or boundary
748	adjustment, as the case may be, under Section 67-1a-6.5:
749	(i) (A) if the annexed area or area subject to the boundary adjustment is located within
750	the boundary of a single county, submit to the recorder of that county:
751	(I) the original:
752	(Aa) notice of an impending boundary action;
753	(Bb) certificate of annexation or boundary adjustment; and
754	(Cc) approved final local entity plat; and
755	(II) a certified copy of the ordinance approving the annexation or boundary adjustment;
756	<u>or</u>
757	(B) if the annexed area or area subject to the boundary adjustment is located within the
758	boundaries of more than a single county:
759	(I) submit to the recorder of one of those counties:
760	(Aa) the original of the documents listed in Subsections (1)(b)(i)(A)(I)(Aa), (Bb), and
761	(Cc); and
762	(Bb) a certified copy of the ordinance approving the annexation or boundary
763	adjustment; and
764	(II) submit to the recorder of each other county:
765	(Aa) a certified copy of the documents listed in Subsections (1)(b)(i)(A)(I)(Aa), (Bb),
766	and (Cc); and
767	(Bb) a certified copy of the ordinance approving the annexation or boundary
768	adjustment;
769	(ii) send notice of the annexation or boundary adjustment to each affected entity; and

770	[(e)] (iii) in accordance with Section 26-8a-414, file [the documents described in
771	Subsection (1)(b)(i)] with the Department of Health[-]:
772	(A) a certified copy of the ordinance approving the annexation of an unincorporated
773	area or the adjustment of a boundary; and
774	(B) a copy of the approved final local entity plat.
775	(2) If an annexation or boundary adjustment under this part also causes an automatic
776	annexation to a local district under Section 17B-1-416 or an automatic withdrawal from a local
777	district under Subsection 17B-1-502(2), the municipal legislative body shall, as soon as
778	practicable after [enacting an ordinance annexing an unincorporated area or adjusting a
779	boundary] the lieutenant governor issues a certificate of annexation or boundary adjustment
780	under Section 67-1a-6.5, send notice of the annexation or boundary adjustment to the local
781	district to which the annexed area is automatically annexed or from which the annexed area is
782	automatically withdrawn.
783	[(3) The municipal legislative body shall comply with the notice requirements of
784	Section 10-1-116.]
785	[(4)] (3) Each notice required under [Subsections (1) and (3)] Subsection (1) relating to
786	an annexation or boundary adjustment shall state the effective date of the annexation or
787	boundary adjustment, as determined under Subsection [(5)] (4).
788	[(5)] (4) An annexation or boundary adjustment under this part is completed and takes
789	effect:
790	(a) for the annexation of or boundary adjustment affecting an area located in a county
791	of the first class, except for an annexation under Section 10-2-418:
792	(i) July 1 following [enactment of an ordinance annexing the unincorporated area] the
793	lieutenant governor's issuance under Section 67-1a-6.5 of a certificate of annexation or
794	boundary adjustment if:
795	(A) the [ordinance is adopted] certificate is issued during the preceding November 1
796	through April 30; and
797	(B) the requirements of Subsection (1) are met before that July 1; or
798	(ii) January 1 following [enactment of an ordinance annexing the unincorporated area]
799	the lieutenant governor's issuance under Section 67-1a-6.5 of a certificate of annexation or
800	boundary adjustment if:

801	(A) the [ordinance is adopted] certificate is issued during the preceding May 1 through
802	October 31; and
803	(B) the requirements of Subsection (1) are met before that January 1; and
804	(b) for all other annexations and boundary adjustments, the date of the lieutenant
805	governor's issuance, under Section 67-1a-6.5, of[:] a certificate of annexation or boundary
806	adjustment.
807	[(i) a certification of amended articles under Subsection 10-1-117(3), for an annexation
808	by a municipality that has articles of incorporation and filed with the lieutenant governor
809	amended articles of incorporation under Subsection (1)(a)(iii)(A); or]
810	[(ii) a certificate of annexation under Subsection (1)(b), for an annexation by a
811	municipality that does not have articles of incorporation and filed with the lieutenant governor
812	a notice of adoption of an annexation ordinance under Subsection (1)(a)(iii)(B).
813	(5) (a) As used in this Subsection (5):
814	(i) "Affected area" means:
815	(A) in the case of an annexation, the annexed area; and
816	(B) in the case of a boundary adjustment, any area that, as a result of the boundary
817	adjustment, is moved from within the boundary of one municipality to within the boundary of
818	another municipality.
819	(ii) "Annexing municipality" means:
820	(A) in the case of an annexation, the municipality that annexes an unincorporated area;
821	<u>and</u>
822	(B) in the case of a boundary adjustment, a municipality whose boundary includes an
823	affected area as a result of a boundary adjustment.
824	(b) The effective date of an annexation or boundary adjustment for purposes of
825	assessing property within an affected area is governed by Section 59-2-305.5.
826	(c) Until the documents listed in Subsection (1)(b)(i) are recorded in the office of the
827	recorder of each county in which the property is located, a municipality may not:
828	(i) levy or collect a property tax on property within an affected area;
829	(ii) levy or collect an assessment on property within an affected area; or
830	(iii) charge or collect a fee for service provided to property within an affected area $\hat{\mathbf{H}} \rightarrow ,$
830a	unless the municipality was charging and collecting the fee within that area immediately
830b	<u>before annexation</u> ←Ĥ .
831	Section 10. Section 10-2-507 is amended to read:

832	10-2-507. Disconnection decree Filing of documents Notice requirements.
833	[(1) (a) Upon entering a disconnection order, the court shall]
834	(1) As used in this section, "disconnection action" means:
835	(a) the municipal legislative body's adoption of an ordinance under Subsection
836	10-2-502.5(4)(b) approving disconnection; or
837	(b) the entry of a court order under Section 10-2-502.7 ordering disconnection.
838	(2) The municipal legislative body shall:
839	(a) within 30 days after the disconnection action, file with the lieutenant governor [a
840	certified copy of the order and a transparent reproducible copy of the map or plat.]:
841	(i) a copy of a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5,
842	that meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.5(3); and
843	(ii) a copy of an approved final local entity plat, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5; and
844	(b) upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of disconnection under
845	Section 67-1a-6.5:
846	(i) if the disconnected area is located within the boundary of a single county, submit to
847	the recorder of that county:
848	(A) the original:
849	(I) notice of an impending boundary action;
850	(II) certificate of disconnection; and
851	(III) approved final local entity plat; and
852	(B) a certified copy of the ordinance approving the disconnection or court order
853	ordering disconnection; or
854	(ii) if the disconnected area is located within the boundaries of more than a single
855	county:
856	(A) submit to the recorder of one of those counties:
857	(I) the original of the documents listed in Subsections (2)(b)(i)(A)(I), (II), and (III); and
858	(II) a certified copy of the ordinance approving the disconnection or the court order
859	ordering disconnection; and
860	(B) submit to the recorder of each other county:
861	(I) a certified copy of the documents listed in Subsections (2)(b)(i)(A)(I), (II), and (III);
862	and _

863	(II) a certified copy of the ordinance approving the disconnection or the court order
864	ordering disconnection.
865	[(b)] (3) The disconnection is effective upon the lieutenant governor's [certification of
866	the] issuance of a certificate of disconnection [order] under Section 67-1a-6.5.
867	[(2) The municipality shall file amended articles of incorporation in the lieutenant
868	governor's office, as provided in Section 10-1-117, and the county recorder's office within 30
869	days after, as the case may be:]
870	[(a) adoption of an ordinance approving disconnection under Subsection
871	10-2-502.5(4)(b); or]
872	[(b) entry of a court order under Section 10-2-502.7 ordering disconnection.]
873	[(3) The amended articles of incorporation shall:]
874	[(a) describe the postdisconnection geography of the municipality; and]
875	[(b) specify the postdisconnection population of the municipality.]
876	[(4) The lieutenant governor shall comply with the requirements of Subsection
877	10-1-117(3).]
878	(4) (a) The effective date of a disconnection for purposes of assessing property within
879	the disconnected territory is governed by Section 59-2-305.5.
880	(b) Until the documents listed in Subsection (2)(b) are recorded in the office of the
881	recorder of each county in which the property is located, a county in which the disconnected
882	territory is located may not:
883	(i) except as provided in Section 10-2-506, levy or collect a property tax on property
884	within the disconnected territory unless the county was levying and collecting the tax
885	immediately before disconnection;
886	(ii) levy or collect an assessment on property within the disconnected territory unless
887	the county was levying and collecting the assessment immediately before disconnection; or
888	(iii) charge or collect a fee for service provided to property within the disconnected
889	territory unless the county was charging and collecting the fee immediately before
890	disconnection.
891	(5) Any cost incurred by the municipality in complying with this section may be
892	charged against the disconnected territory.
893	[(6) The legislative body of each municipality that has had territory disconnected shall

894	comply with the notice requirements of Section 10-1-116.]
895	Section 11. Section 10-2-610 is amended to read:
896	10-2-610. Favorable vote at election Notice of results Publication Filing.
897	(1) The [commissioners of the] legislative body of each county [or counties] in which a
898	proposed consolidating municipality is located shall canvass the results of the election or
899	elections in the same manner as for general elections and shall certify the results of the election
900	to the county clerk or clerks.
901	(2) If a majority of the ballots cast at the election on consolidation in each municipality
902	are for consolidation, the county clerk or clerks shall immediately, on receiving notice of the
903	results of the canvass [being filed in the proper office] under Subsection (1), give notice of the
904	result by publication in the same manner and for the same time as provided in Section 10-2-608
905	[and in the notice the county clerk or clerks shall indicate to which class the consolidated
906	municipality belongs. A copy of the notice with proper proof of its original publication shall
907	be filed with the papers, and a certified copy of all papers and record entries relating to the
908	matter on file in the county clerk's office shall be filed in the office of the county recorder. The
909	mayor of the consolidated municipality shall cause articles of consolidation to be filed in the
910	office of the lieutenant governor which shall contain the same information as is required in
911	Subsection 10-2-119(2) together with a provision stating that the municipality is a
912	consolidation of two or more municipalities and the names of the municipalities which
913	comprise the new municipality].
914	(3) The mayors of the municipalities to be consolidated shall:
915	(a) within 30 days after the canvass of an election at which voters approve
916	consolidation, file with the lieutenant governor:
917	(i) a copy of a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5,
918	that meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.5(3); and
919	(ii) a copy of an approved final local entity plat, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5; and
920	(b) upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of consolidation under
921	Section 67-1a-6.5:
922	(i) if the consolidated municipality is located within the boundary of a single county,
923	submit to the recorder of that county the original:
924	(A) notice of an impending boundary action;

925	(B) certificate of consolidation; and
926	(C) approved final local entity plat; or
927	(ii) if the consolidated municipality is located within the boundaries of more than a
928	single county, submit the original of the documents listed in Subsections (3)(b)(i)(A), (B), and
929	(C) to the recorder of one of those counties and a certified copy of those documents to the
930	recorder of each other county.
931	Section 12. Section 10-2-611 is amended to read:
932	10-2-611. When consolidation complete Disincorporation of original
933	municipalities.
934	(1) Upon the lieutenant governor's [certification of the articles] issuance of a certificate
935	of consolidation under Section 67-1a-6.5[, the incorporation of the new municipality shall be
936	complete and]:
937	(a) the consolidation is effective; and
938	(b) the original municipalities involved in the consolidation [shall be considered to be]
939	are disincorporated.
940	[(2) The legislative body of the new municipality shall comply with the notice
941	requirements of Section 10-1-116.]
942	(2) (a) The effective date of a consolidation of municipalities for purposes of assessing
943	property within the consolidated municipality is governed by Section 59-2-305.5.
944	(b) Until the documents listed in Subsection 10-2-610(3)(b) are recorded in the office
945	of the recorder of each county in which the property is located, a consolidated municipality
946	may not:
947	(i) levy or collect a property tax on property within the consolidated municipality;
948	(ii) levy or collect an assessment on property within the consolidated municipality; or
949	(iii) charge or collect a fee for service provided to property within the consolidated
950	municipality.
951	Section 13. Section 10-2-705 is amended to read:
952	10-2-705. Judgment Determination of claims.
953	The vote shall be taken and canvassed in the same manner as in other municipal
954	elections, and return thereof made to the district court. If the district court finds that a majority
955	of the votes cast favored dissolution, a judgment shall be entered [dissolving] approving the

dissolution of the municipality and, upon dissolution, the corporate powers of such municipality shall cease, and the court shall cause notice to be given in a manner to be prescribed by it, requiring all claims against the municipality to be filed in the court within a time fixed in the notice, not exceeding six months, and all claims not so filed shall be forever barred. At the expiration of the time so fixed the court shall adjudicate claims so filed, which shall be treated as denied, and any citizen of the municipality at the time the vote was taken may appear and defend against any claim so filed, or the court may in its discretion appoint some person for that purpose.

Section 14. Section 10-2-711 is amended to read:

10-2-711. Dissolution by the county legislative body.

- (1) (a) A municipality having fewer than 50 residents may be dissolved on application to the district court by the county legislative body of the county where the municipality is located.
- (b) (i) The population figure under Subsection (1)(a) shall be derived from the most recent official census or census estimate of the United States Bureau of the Census.
- (ii) If the population figure is not available from the United States Bureau of the Census, the population figure shall be derived from the estimate from the Utah Population Estimates Committee.
- (2) Notice of the application shall be served on the municipality in the manner prescribed by law or by publication in the manner provided by law if the municipal authorities cannot be served.
- (3) The district court may <u>enter an</u> order <u>approving the dissolution of</u> the municipality [dissolved] on a finding that the existence of the municipality serves no valid municipal purpose, its existence is a sham, or on a clear and convincing showing that the best interests of the community would be served by the dissolution.
- (4) If the municipality is dissolved, the district court shall wind down the affairs and dissolve the municipality as quickly as possible in the same manner as is provided in Sections 10-2-705 through 10-2-709.
 - Section 15. Section 10-2-712 is amended to read:
- **10-2-712.** Power of court -- Articles of dissolution -- Notice to lieutenant governor.

987	(1) The district court may:
988	(a) enforce compliance with any order issued to give effect to this part by proceedings
989	for contempt; and
990	(b) appoint any person to assist it in carrying out the provisions of this part.
991	(2) (a) [The] Upon entering an order approving the dissolution of a municipality, the
992	district court shall file [articles of dissolution] with the lieutenant governor [on the dissolution
993	of the municipality.]:
994	(i) a copy of a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5,
995	that meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.5(3); and
996	(ii) a certified copy of the court order approving the dissolution.
997	(b) Upon the lieutenant governor's [certification of the articles] issuance of a certificate
998	of dissolution[7] under Section 67-1a-6.5:
999	(i) the municipality is dissolved [under Section 67-1a-6.5.]; and
1000	(ii) the court shall:
1001	(A) if the dissolved municipality was located within the boundary of a single county,
1002	submit to the recorder of that county:
1003	(I) a certified copy of the court order approving dissolution of the municipality; and
1004	(II) the original certificate of dissolution; or
1005	(B) if the dissolved municipality was located within the boundaries of more than a
1006	single county:
1007	(I) submit to the recorder of one of those counties:
1008	(Aa) a certified copy of the court order approving dissolution of the municipality; and
1009	(Bb) the original certificate of dissolution; and
1010	(II) submit to the recorder of each other county:
1011	(Aa) a certified copy of the court order approving dissolution of the municipality; and
1012	(Bb) a certified copy of the certificate of dissolution.
1013	(3) (a) The effective date of a dissolution of a municipality for purposes of assessing
1014	property within the dissolved municipality is governed by Section 59-2-305.5.
1015	(b) Until the documents listed in Subsection (2)(b)(ii) are recorded in the office of the
1016	recorder of each county in which the property is located, a county in which a dissolved
1017	municipality is located may not:

1018	(i) levy or collect a property tax on property within the former boundary of the
1019	dissolved municipality unless the county was levying and collecting the tax immediately before
1020	dissolution;
1021	(ii) levy or collect an assessment on property within the former boundary of the
1022	dissolved municipality unless the county was levying and collecting the assessment
1023	immediately before dissolution; or
1024	(iii) charge or collect a fee for service provided to property within the former boundary
1025	of the dissolved municipality unless the county was levying and collecting the fee immediately
1026	before dissolution.
1027	Section 16. Section 10-6-111 is amended to read:
1028	10-6-111. Tentative budget to be prepared Contents Estimate of expenditures
1029	Budget message Review by governing body.
1030	(1) (a) On or before the first regularly scheduled meeting of the governing body in the
1031	last May of the current period, the budget officer shall prepare for the ensuing fiscal period, on
1032	forms provided by the state auditor, and file with the governing body, a tentative budget for
1033	each fund for which a budget is required.
1034	(b) The tentative budget of each fund shall set forth in tabular form [the following]:
1035	[(a) Actual] (i) the actual revenues and expenditures in the last completed fiscal
1036	period[-];
1037	[(b) Budget] (ii) the budget estimates for the current fiscal period[:];
1038	[(c) Actual] (iii) the actual revenues and expenditures for a period of 6 to 21 months,
1039	as appropriate, of the current fiscal period[-];
1040	[(d) Estimated] (iv) the estimated total revenues and expenditures for the current fiscal
1041	period[-];
1042	[(e) The] (v) the budget officer's estimates of revenues and expenditures for the budget
1043	period, computed [in the following manner:] as provided in Subsection (1)(c); and
1044	[(i) The budget officer shall estimate, on the basis of demonstrated need, the
1045	expenditures for the budget period after a review of the budget requests and estimates of the
1046	department heads. Each department head shall be heard by the budget officer prior to making
1047	of the final estimates, but the officer may revise any department's estimate as the officer
1048	considers advisable for the purpose of presenting the budget to the governing body.]

1049	[(ii) The budget officer shall estimate the amount of revenue available to serve the
1050	needs of each fund, estimate the portion to be derived from all sources other than general
1051	property taxes, and estimate the portion that must be derived from general property taxes.
1052	From the latter estimate the officer shall compute and disclose in the budget the lowest rate of
1053	property tax levy that will raise the required amount of revenue, calculating the levy upon the
1054	latest taxable value.]
1055	[(f) If] (vi) if the governing body elects, the actual performance experience to the
1056	extent established by Section 10-6-154 and available in work units, unit costs, man hours, or
1057	man years for each budgeted fund on an actual basis for the last completed fiscal period, and
1058	estimated for the current fiscal period and for the ensuing budget period.
1059	(c) (i) In making estimates of revenues and expenditures under Subsection (1)(b)(v),
1060	the budget officer shall estimate:
1061	(A) on the basis of demonstrated need, the expenditures for the budget period, after:
1062	(I) hearing each department head; and
1063	(II) reviewing the budget requests and estimates of the department heads; and
1064	(B) (I) the amount of revenue available to serve the needs of each fund;
1065	(II) the portion of revenue to be derived from all sources other than general property
1066	taxes; and
1067	(III) the portion of revenue that must be derived from general property taxes.
1068	(ii) The budget officer may revise any department's estimate under Subsection
1069	(1)(c)(i)(A)(II) that the officer considers advisable for the purpose of presenting the budget to
1070	the governing body.
1071	(iii) From the estimate made under Subsection (1)(c)(i)(B)(III), the budget officer shall
1072	compute and disclose in the budget the lowest rate of property tax levy that will raise the
1073	required amount of revenue, calculating the levy upon the latest taxable value.
1074	(2) (a) Each tentative budget, when filed by the budget officer with the governing body,
1075	shall contain the estimates of expenditures submitted by department heads, together with
1076	specific work programs and such other supporting data as this chapter requires or the governing
1077	body may request. Each city of the first or second class shall, and a city of the third, fourth, or
1078	fifth class may, submit a supplementary estimate of all capital projects which each department
1079	head believes should be undertaken within the next three succeeding years.

- (b) Each tentative budget submitted by the budget officer to the governing body shall be accompanied by a budget message, which shall explain the budget, contain an outline of the proposed financial policies of the city for the budget period, and shall describe the important features of the budgetary plan. It shall set forth the reasons for salient changes from the previous fiscal period in appropriation and revenue items and shall explain any major changes in financial policy.
- (3) Each tentative budget shall be reviewed, considered, and tentatively adopted by the governing body in any regular meeting or special meeting called for the purpose and may be amended or revised in such manner as is considered advisable prior to public hearings, except that no appropriation required for debt retirement and interest or reduction of any existing deficits pursuant to Section 10-6-117, or otherwise required by law or ordinance, may be reduced below the minimums so required.
- (4) (a) If the municipality is acting pursuant to Section 10-2-120, the tentative budget shall:
- (i) be submitted to the governing body-elect as soon as practicable [after the filing of the notice under Section 10-2-120 indicating the proposed date for filing the articles of incorporation]; and
- (ii) cover each fund for which a budget is required from the date of incorporation to the end of the fiscal year.
- (b) The governing body shall substantially comply with all other provisions of this [act] chapter, and the budget shall be passed upon incorporation.
 - Section 17. Section 11-13-203 is amended to read:
- 11-13-203. Interlocal entities -- Agreement to create an interlocal entity -- Utah interlocal entity may become electric interlocal entity or energy services interlocal entity.
 - (1) An interlocal entity is:
 - (a) separate from the public agencies that create it;
 - (b) a body politic and corporate; and
- (c) a political subdivision of the state.
- 1108 (2) Any two or more Utah public agencies may enter into an agreement to [create]
 1109 approve the creation of a Utah interlocal entity to accomplish the purpose of their joint or
 1110 cooperative action, including undertaking and financing a facility or improvement to provide

the service contemplated by that agreement.

- (3) (a) A Utah public agency and one or more public agencies may enter into an agreement to [create] approve the creation of an electric interlocal entity to accomplish the purpose of their joint or cooperative action if that purpose is to participate in the undertaking or financing of:
 - (i) facilities to provide additional project capacity;
 - (ii) common facilities under Title 54, Chapter 9, Electric Power Facilities Act; or
- (iii) electric generation or transmission facilities.
 - (b) By agreement with one or more public agencies that are not parties to the agreement creating it, a Utah interlocal entity may be reorganized as an electric interlocal entity if:
 - (i) the public agencies that are parties to the agreement creating the Utah interlocal entity authorize, in the same manner required to amend the agreement creating the Utah interlocal entity, the Utah interlocal entity to be reorganized as an electric interlocal entity; and
 - (ii) the purpose of the joint or cooperative action to be accomplished by the electric interlocal entity meets the requirements of Subsection (3)(a).
 - (4) (a) Two or more Utah public agencies may enter into an agreement with one another or with one or more public agencies to [create] approve the creation of an energy services interlocal entity to accomplish the purposes of their joint and cooperative action with respect to facilities, services, and improvements necessary or desirable with respect to the acquisition, generation, transmission, management, and distribution of electric energy for the use and benefit of the public agencies that enter into the agreement.
 - (b) (i) A Utah interlocal entity that was created to facilitate the transmission or supply of electric power may, by resolution adopted by its governing body, elect to become an energy services interlocal entity.
 - (ii) Notwithstanding Subsection (4)(b)(i), a Utah interlocal entity that is also a project entity may not elect to become an energy services interlocal entity.
 - (iii) An election under Subsection (4)(b)(i) does not alter, limit, or affect the validity or enforceability of a previously executed contract, agreement, bond, or other obligation of the Utah interlocal entity making the election.
- Section 18. Section 11-13-204 is amended to read:

1142	11-13-204. Powers and duties of interlocal entities Additional powers of energy
1143	services interlocal entities Length of term of agreement and interlocal entity Notice to
1144	lieutenant governor.
1145	(1) (a) An interlocal entity:
1146	(i) may:
1147	(A) adopt, amend, and repeal rules, bylaws, policies, and procedures for the regulation
1148	of its affairs and the conduct of its business;
1149	(B) sue and be sued;
1150	(C) have an official seal and alter that seal at will;
1151	(D) make and execute contracts and other instruments necessary or convenient for the
1152	performance of its duties and the exercise of its powers and functions;
1153	(E) acquire real or personal property, or an undivided, fractional, or other interest in
1154	real or personal property, necessary or convenient for the purposes contemplated in the
1155	agreement creating the interlocal entity and sell, lease, or otherwise dispose of that property;
1156	(F) directly or by contract with another:
1157	(I) own and acquire facilities and improvements or an undivided, fractional, or other
1158	interest in facilities and improvements;
1159	(II) construct, operate, maintain, and repair facilities and improvements; and
1160	(III) provide the services contemplated in the agreement creating the interlocal entity;
1161	(G) borrow money, incur indebtedness, and issue revenue bonds, notes, or other
1162	obligations and secure their payment by an assignment, pledge, or other conveyance of all or
1163	any part of the revenues and receipts from the facilities, improvements, or services that the
1164	interlocal entity provides;
1165	(H) offer, issue, and sell warrants, options, or other rights related to the bonds, notes, or
1166	other obligations issued by the interlocal entity; and
1167	(I) sell or contract for the sale of the services, output, product, or other benefits
1168	provided by the interlocal entity to:
1169	(I) public agencies inside or outside the state; and
1170	(II) with respect to any excess services, output, product, or benefits, any person on
1171	terms that the interlocal entity considers to be in the best interest of the public agencies that are
1172	parties to the agreement creating the interlocal entity; and

- 1173 (ii) may not levy, assess, or collect ad valorem property taxes.
 - (b) An assignment, pledge, or other conveyance under Subsection (1)(a)(i)(G) may, to the extent provided by the documents under which the assignment, pledge, or other conveyance is made, rank prior in right to any other obligation except taxes or payments in lieu of taxes payable to the state or its political subdivisions.
 - (2) An energy services interlocal entity:
 - (a) except with respect to any ownership interest it has in facilities providing additional project capacity, is not subject to:
 - (i) Part 3, Project Entity Provisions; or
 - (ii) Title 59, Chapter 8, Gross Receipts Tax on Certain Corporations Not Required to Pay Corporate Franchise or Income Tax Act; and
 - (b) may:
 - (i) own, acquire, and, by itself or by contract with another, construct, operate, and maintain a facility or improvement for the generation, transmission, and transportation of electric energy or related fuel supplies;
 - (ii) enter into a contract to obtain a supply of electric power and energy and ancillary services, transmission, and transportation services, and supplies of natural gas and fuels necessary for the operation of generation facilities;
 - (iii) enter into a contract with public agencies, investor-owned or cooperative utilities, and others, whether located in or out of the state, for the sale of wholesale services provided by the energy services interlocal entity; and
 - (iv) adopt and implement risk management policies and strategies and enter into transactions and agreements to manage the risks associated with the purchase and sale of energy, including forward purchase and sale contracts, hedging, tolling and swap agreements, and other instruments.
 - (3) Notwithstanding Section 11-13-216, an agreement creating an interlocal entity or an amendment to that agreement may provide that the agreement may continue and the interlocal entity may remain in existence until the latest to occur of:
 - (a) 50 years after the date of the agreement or amendment;
- 1202 (b) five years after the interlocal entity has fully paid or otherwise discharged all of its 1203 indebtedness;

1204	(c) five years after the interlocal entity has abandoned, decommissioned, or conveyed
1205	or transferred all of its interest in its facilities and improvements; or
1206	(d) five years after the facilities and improvements of the interlocal entity are no longer
1207	useful in providing the service, output, product, or other benefit of the facilities and
1208	improvements, as determined under the agreement governing the sale of the service, output,
1209	product, or other benefit.
1210	(4) (a) The governing body of each party to the agreement to [create] approve the
1211	creation of an interlocal entity, including an electric interlocal entity and an energy services
1212	interlocal entity, under Section 11-13-203 shall[-]:
1213	(i) within 30 days [of] after the date of the agreement, jointly file [a written notice of
1214	the agreement] with the lieutenant governor[-]:
1215	[(b) Each written notice required under Subsection (4)(a) shall:]
1216	[(i) be accompanied by:]
1217	[(A) a copy of the agreement to create the interlocal entity; and]
1218	(A) a copy of a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in Section
1219	67-1a-6.5, that meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.5(3); and
1220	(B) if less than all of the territory of any Utah public agency that is a party to the
1221	agreement is included within the interlocal entity, a copy of an approved final local entity plat
1222	[that delineates a metes and bounds description of the area affected or a map of the area
1223	affected; and], as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5; and
1224	[(ii) contain a certification by the governing body that all necessary legal requirements
1225	relating to the creation have been completed.]
1226	(ii) upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of creation under Section
1227	<u>67-1a-6.5:</u>
1228	(A) if the interlocal entity is located within the boundary of a single county, submit to
1229	the recorder of that county:
1230	(I) the original:
1231	(Aa) notice of an impending boundary action;
1232	(Bb) certificate of creation; and
1233	(Cc) approved final local entity plat, if an approved final local entity plat was required
1234	to be filed with the lieutenant governor under Subsection (4)(a)(i)(B); and

1235	(II) a certified copy of the agreement approving the creation of the interlocal entity; or
1236	(B) if the interlocal entity is located within the boundaries of more than a single
1237	county:
1238	(I) submit to the recorder of one of those counties:
1239	(Aa) the original of the documents listed in Subsections (4)(a)(ii)(A)(I)(Aa), (Bb), and
1240	(Cc); and
1241	(Bb) a certified copy of the agreement approving the creation of the interlocal entity;
1242	<u>and</u>
1243	(II) submit to the recorder of each other county:
1244	(Aa) a certified copy of the documents listed in Subsections (4)(a)(ii)(A)(I)(Aa), (Bb),
1245	and (Cc); and
1246	(Bb) a certified copy of the agreement approving the creation of the interlocal entity.
1247	[(5)] (b) Upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of creation under
1248	Section 67-1a-6.5, the interlocal entity is created.
1249	(c) Until the documents listed in Subsection (4)(a)(ii) are recorded in the office of the
1250	recorder of each county in which the property is located, a newly created interlocal entity may
1251	not charge or collect a fee for service provided to property within the interlocal entity.
1252	[(6)] (5) Nothing in this section may be construed as expanding the rights of any
1253	municipality or interlocal entity to sell or provide retail service.
1254	Section 19. Section 11-13-205 is amended to read:
1255	11-13-205. Agreement by public agencies to create a new entity to own sewage
1256	and wastewater facilities Powers and duties of new entities Validation of previously
1257	created entities Notice to lieutenant governor.
1258	(1) It is declared that the policy of the state is to assure the health, safety, and welfare
1259	of its citizens, that adequate sewage and wastewater treatment plants and facilities are essential
1260	to the well-being of the citizens of the state and that the acquisition of adequate sewage and
1261	wastewater treatment plants and facilities on a regional basis in accordance with federal law
1262	and state and federal water quality standards and effluent standards in order to provide services
1263	to public agencies is a matter of statewide concern and is in the public interest. It is found and
1264	declared that there is a statewide need to provide for regional sewage and wastewater treatment
1265	plants and facilities, and as a matter of express legislative determination it is declared that the

compelling need of the state for construction of regional sewage and wastewater treatment plants and facilities requires the creation of entities under the Interlocal Cooperation Act to own, construct, operate, and finance sewage and wastewater treatment plants and facilities; and it is the purpose of this law to provide for the accomplishment thereof in the manner provided in this section.

- (2) Any two or more public agencies of the state may also agree to [create] approve the creation of a separate legal or administrative entity to accomplish and undertake the purpose of owning, acquiring, constructing, financing, operating, maintaining, and repairing regional sewage and wastewater treatment plants and facilities.
- (3) A separate legal or administrative entity created [in the manner provided herein] under this section is considered to be a political subdivision and body politic and corporate of the state with power to carry out and effectuate its corporate powers, including[, but not limited to,] the power:
- (a) to adopt, amend, and repeal rules, bylaws, and regulations, policies, and procedures for the regulation of its affairs and the conduct of its business, to sue and be sued in its own name, to have an official seal and power to alter that seal at will, and to make and execute contracts and all other instruments necessary or convenient for the performance of its duties and the exercise of its powers and functions under the Interlocal Cooperation Act;
- (b) to own, acquire, construct, operate, maintain, repair, or cause to be constructed, operated, maintained, and repaired one or more regional sewage and wastewater treatment plants and facilities, all as shall be set forth in the agreement providing for its creation;
- (c) to borrow money, incur indebtedness and issue revenue bonds, notes or other obligations payable solely from the revenues and receipts derived from all or a portion of the regional sewage and wastewater treatment plants and facilities which it owns, operates, and maintains, such bonds, notes, or other obligations to be issued and sold in compliance with the provisions of Title 11, Chapter 14, Local Government Bonding Act;
- (d) to enter into agreements with public agencies and other parties and entities to provide sewage and wastewater treatment services on such terms and conditions as it considers to be in the best interests of its participants; and
- (e) to acquire by purchase or by exercise of the power of eminent domain, any real or personal property in connection with the acquisition and construction of any sewage and

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wastewater treatment plant and all related facilities and rights-of-way which it owns, operates, and maintains.

- (4) The provisions of Part 3, Project Entity Provisions, do not apply to a legal or administrative entity created for regional sewage and wastewater treatment purposes under this section.
- (5) All proceedings previously had in connection with the creation of any legal or administrative entity pursuant to this chapter, and all proceedings previously had by any such entity for the authorization and issuance of bonds of the entity are validated, ratified, and confirmed; and these entities are declared to be validly created interlocal cooperation entities under this chapter. These bonds, whether previously or subsequently issued pursuant to these proceedings, are validated, ratified, and confirmed and declared to constitute, if previously issued, or when issued, the valid and legally binding obligations of the entity in accordance with their terms. Nothing in this section shall be construed to affect or validate any bonds, or the organization of any entity, the legality of which is being contested at the time this act takes effect.
- (6) (a) The governing body of each party to the agreement to [create] approve the creation of an entity under this section shall[7]:
- (i) within 30 days [of] after the date of the agreement, jointly file [a written notice of the agreement] with the lieutenant governor[:]:
- [(b) Each written notice required under Subsection (6)(a) shall:
- 1317 [(i) be accompanied by:]
 - [(A) a copy of the agreement to create the entity; and]
- [(B) a map or plat that delineates a metes and bounds description of the area affected; and]
- [(ii) contain a certification by the governing body that all necessary legal requirements relating to the creation have been completed.]
 - (A) a copy of a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5, that meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.5(3); and
- (B) a copy of an approved final local entity plat, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5; and
- 1326 (ii) upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of creation under Section
- 1327 <u>67-1a-6.5:</u>

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1328	(A) if the entity is located within the boundary of a single county, submit to the
1329	recorder of that county:
1330	(I) the original:
1331	(Aa) notice of an impending boundary action;
1332	(Bb) certificate of creation; and
1333	(Cc) approved final local entity plat; and
1334	(II) a certified copy of the agreement approving the creation of the entity; or
1335	(B) if the entity is located within the boundaries of more than a single county:
1336	(I) submit to the recorder of one of those counties:
1337	(Aa) the original of the documents listed in Subsections (6)(a)(ii)(A)(I)(Aa), (Bb), and
1338	(Cc); and
1339	(Bb) a certified copy of the agreement approving the creation of the entity; and
1340	(II) submit to the recorder of each other county:
1341	(Aa) a certified copy of the documents listed in Subsections (6)(a)(ii)(A)(I)(Aa), (Bb),
1342	and (Cc); and
1343	(Bb) a certified copy of the agreement approving the creation of the entity.
1344	[(7)] (b) Upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of entity creation under
1345	Section 67-1a-6.5, the entity is created.
1346	(c) Until the documents listed in Subsection (6)(a)(ii) are recorded in the office of the
1347	recorder of each county in which the property is located, a newly created entity under this
1348	section may not charge or collect a fee for service provided to property within the entity.
1349	Section 20. Section 17-2-101 is enacted to read:
1350	CHAPTER 2. COUNTY CONSOLIDATIONS AND ANNEXATIONS
1351	Part 1. Consolidation of Counties
1352	<u>17-2-101.</u> Title.
1353	(1) This chapter is known as "County Consolidations and Annexations."
1354	(2) This part is known as "Consolidation of Counties."
1355	Section 21. Section 17-2-102 is enacted to read:
1356	<u>17-2-102.</u> Definitions.
1357	As used in this part:
1358	(1) "Consolidating county" means the county to which another county is joined or is

1359	proposed to be joined by consolidation under this part.
1360	(2) "Originating county" means the county that is joined or proposed to be joined to
1361	another county by consolidation under this part.
1362	Section 22. Section 17-2-103, which is renumbered from Section 17-2-1 is renumbered
1363	and amended to read:
1364	[17-2-1]. <u>17-2-103.</u> County to county Petition Election Ballots.
1365	[Whenever] (1) If a majority of the legal voters of any county desire to have the
1366	[territory included within the boundaries of such] county [annexed to] joined to and
1367	consolidated with an adjoining county, they may petition the county legislative body of the
1368	county in which they reside[, which is hereafter referred to as the county to be annexed, as well
1369	as] and the county legislative body of the adjoining county [to which they desire to be annexed,
1370	which shall hereafter be referred to as the annexing county. Such petition must].
1371	(2) Each petition under Subsection (1) shall be presented before the first Monday in
1372	June of any year[, and, if].
1373	(3) (a) If a petition under Subsection (1) is presented in a year during which a regular
1374	general election is held, the county legislative body [must cause said] of the originating county
1375	and the county legislative body of the consolidating county shall cause the proposition to be
1376	submitted to the legal voters of [each of said counties] their respective counties at the [ensuing]
1377	next regular general election[. If the petition].
1378	(b) If a petition under Subsection (1) is presented during a year in which there is no
1379	regular general election, the county legislative body [must] of the originating county and the
1380	county legislative body of the consolidating county shall:
1381	(i) call a special election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in
1382	November following the presentation of [such] the petition[7]; and [must]
1383	(ii) cause the proposition to be submitted to the legal voters of the respective counties
1384	on that day.
1385	(c) Except as otherwise provided[, such election] in this part, an election under this
1386	Subsection (3) shall be held, the results canvassed, and returns made under the provisions of
1387	the general election laws of the state.
1388	(d) The ballot to be used at an election under this Subsection (3) shall be:
1389	For [annexing] combining county [to] with county.

1390	Against [annexing] combining county [to] with county.
1391	Section 23. Section 17-2-104, which is renumbered from Section 17-2-3 is renumbered
1392	and amended to read:
1393	[17-2-3]. <u>17-2-104.</u> Certification of election result to governor.
1394	[The certified abstract of such returns must be filed in the office of the lieutenant
1395	governor, and, if]
1396	If it appears [therefrom] from the certified report that the lieutenant governor receives
1397	under Section 20A-4-304 that a majority of the voters in each of the counties have voted in
1398	favor of [such annexation] consolidation, the lieutenant governor [must] shall certify the result
1399	of [such] the vote to the governor.
1400	Section 24. Section 17-2-105, which is renumbered from Section 17-2-4 is renumbered
1401	and amended to read:
1402	[17-2-4]. <u>17-2-105.</u> Governor's proclamation Notice to lieutenant governor
1403	Effective date.
1404	(1) Upon receipt of the election result from the lieutenant governor under Section
1405	[17-2-3] <u>17-2-104</u> , the governor shall issue a proclamation, stating the result of the vote in each
1406	of the counties, and that the [annexation] consolidation of the one county [to] with the other
1407	will take effect as provided in Subsection (3).
1408	(2) [(a) Within 30 days after the issuance of the governor's proclamation under
1409	Subsection (1), the The legislative body of the [annexing] consolidating county shall:
1410	(a) within 30 days after the issuance of the governor's proclamation under Subsection
1411	(1), send [a notice] to the lieutenant governor[-]:
1412	[(b) Each notice under Subsection (2)(a) shall include:]
1413	[(i) a copy of the governor's proclamation;]
1414	[(ii) a certification that all necessary legal requirements relating to the annexation have
1415	been completed; and]
1416	[(iii) a map or plat that delineates an accurate metes and bounds description of the
1417	annexing county following annexation.]
1418	(i) a copy of a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5,
1419	that meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.5(3); and
1420	(ii) a copy of an approved final local entity plat, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5; and

1421	(b) upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of consolidation under
1422	Section 67-1a-6.5, submit to the recorder of the consolidating county:
1423	(i) the original notice of an impending boundary action;
1424	(ii) the original certificate of consolidation;
1425	(iii) the original approved final local entity plat; and
1426	(iv) a certified copy of the governor's proclamation under Subsection (1).
1427	(3) [An annexation] (a) A consolidation of counties approved at an election under
1428	Section [17-2-1] <u>17-2-103</u> takes effect on January 1 of the year immediately following the
1429	lieutenant governor's issuance of [the: (a) governor's proclamation; and (b)] a certificate of
1430	consolidation [by the lieutenant governor] under Section 67-1a-6.5.
1431	(b) (i) The effective date of a consolidation of counties for purposes of assessing
1432	property within the consolidating county is governed by Section 59-2-305.5.
1433	(ii) Until the documents listed in Subsection (2)(b) are recorded in the office of the
1434	recorder of the county in which the property is located, a consolidating county may not:
1435	(A) levy or collect a property tax on property in the consolidating county that used to
1436	be in the originating county;
1437	(B) levy or collect an assessment on property in the consolidating county that used to
1438	be in the originating county; or
1439	(C) charge or collect a fee for service provided to property within the consolidating
1440	county that used to be in the originating county.
1441	Section 25. Section 17-2-106, which is renumbered from Section 17-2-5 is renumbered
1442	and amended to read:
1443	[17-2-5]. <u>17-2-106.</u> Conditions of consolidation.
1444	[Whenever a majority of the legal voters of each of the counties to which the
1445	proposition is submitted vote in favor of annexing one county to another in the manner
1446	provided in this chapter such annexation shall be made under the following conditions:]
1447	[(1) Such annexation shall be complete and take effect on the first Monday of January
1448	following the day of the election at which such proposition was submitted.]
1449	[(2)] (1) All territory [theretofore] included within the boundaries of the originating
1450	county [annexed shall become] becomes, upon consolidation, the territory of the [annexing]
1451	consolidating county.

1452	[(3)] (2) The precincts and school districts existing in the originating county [annexed
1453	shall] continue and become precincts and school districts in the [annexing] consolidating
1454	county and [shall] remain as then organized until changed in the manner provided by law, and
1455	the officers of [such] those precincts and school districts [shall] hold their respective offices
1456	until the expiration of the applicable terms [thereof].
1457	[(4) All] (3) The ownership of all property, both real and personal, held and owned by
1458	the originating county [annexed shall be] at the time of consolidation is vested in the
1459	[annexing] consolidating county.
1460	[(5)] (4) The terms of all county officers in the <u>originating</u> county [annexed shall]
1461	terminate and cease on the day the [annexation] consolidation takes effect, and [it is made the
1462	duty of such] those officers [to] shall immediately deliver to the corresponding officers of the
1463	[annexing] consolidating county all books, records, and papers of the [annexed] originating
1464	county.
1465	[(6)] (5) Any person who is confined under lawful commitment in the county jail of the
1466	originating county [annexed], or otherwise lawfully held to answer for alleged violation of any
1467	of the criminal laws of this state, shall be immediately delivered to the sheriff of the [annexing]
1468	consolidating county, and such person shall be confined in its county jail for the unexpired
1469	term of the sentence or held as specified in the commitment.
1470	[(7)] <u>(6) (a)</u> All criminal proceedings pending in the <u>originating</u> county [annexed] shall
1471	be prosecuted to judgment and execution in the [annexing] consolidating county[; all].
1472	(b) All offenses [theretofore] committed in the originating county [annexed which shall
1473	not have] before consolidation that have not been prosecuted shall be prosecuted in the
1474	[annexing] consolidating county.
1475	[(8)] (7) All actions, proceedings, and matters pending in the district court of the
1476	originating county [annexed] may be proceeded with in the district court of the [annexing]
1477	consolidating county.
1478	[(9)] (8) All indebtedness of the originating county [annexed shall be] are transferred to
1479	and become the indebtedness of the [annexing] consolidating county with the same effect as if
1480	it had been incurred by [such] the consolidating county.
1481	Section 26. Section 17-2-201 is enacted to read:

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1483	<u>17-2-201.</u> Title.
1484	This part is known as "County Annexation."
1485	Section 27. Section 17-2-202 is enacted to read:
1486	<u>17-2-202.</u> Definitions.
1487	As used in this part:
1488	(1) "Annexing county" means the county to which a portion of an adjoining county is
1489	annexed or proposed to be annexed as provided in this part.
1490	(2) "Initiating county" means the county, from which a portion is annexed or proposed
1491	to be annexed to an adjoining county.
1492	Section 28. Section 17-2-203, which is renumbered from Section 17-2-6 is renumbered
1493	and amended to read:
1494	[17-2-6]. 17-2-203. Annexation of portion of county to adjoining county
1495	Petition Election Ballots.
1496	(1) (a) Except as provided in Section [17-2-13, whenever] 17-2-209, if a majority of
1497	the legal voters of any portion of any county, in number equal to a majority of the votes cast at
1498	the preceding general election within that portion of the county, desire to have the territory
1499	within which they reside included within the boundaries of an adjoining county, they may
1500	petition the county legislative body of the county in which they reside[, which is hereafter
1501	referred to as the county from which territory is to be taken, as well as] and the county
1502	legislative body of the adjoining county [to which they desire to be annexed, which is referred
1503	to as the annexing county].
1504	(b) [Such] Each petition [must] under Subsection (1)(a) shall be presented before the
1505	first Monday in June of a year during which a general election is held[, and the county].
1506	(c) If a petition is presented under Subsection (1)(a), at the ensuing regular general
1507	election:
1508	(i) the legislative body [must] of the initiating county shall cause [such] the proposition
1509	to be submitted to the legal voters residing in the <u>initiating</u> county [from which territory is to be
1510	taken as well as]; and
1511	(ii) the legislative body of the annexing county shall cause the proposition to be
1512	submitted to the legal voters of the annexing county [at the ensuing general election].
1513	(2) (a) Except as otherwise provided, the election provided in Subsection (1) shall be

1514	held, the results canvassed, and returns made under the provisions of the general election laws
1515	of the state.
1516	(b) The ballot to be used shall be:
1517	For annexing a portion of county to county.
1518	Against annexing a portion of county to county.
1519	Section 29. Section 17-2-204, which is renumbered from Section 17-2-8 is renumbered
1520	and amended to read:
1521	[17-2-8]. Certification of election result to governor.
1522	[(1) The certified abstract under Section 17-2-7 shall be filed in the office of the
1523	lieutenant governor.]
1524	[(2)] In an election held under Subsection [$(17-2-6(1))$] $(17-2-203(1))$, if it appears from
1525	the certified [abstracts] report that the lieutenant governor receives under Section 20A-4-304
1526	that a majority [in each county] of those voting in each county have voted in favor of [such] the
1527	annexation, the lieutenant governor shall certify the result of [such] the vote to the governor.
1528	Section 30. Section 17-2-205, which is renumbered from Section 17-2-9 is renumbered
1529	and amended to read:
1530	[17-2-9]. <u>17-2-205.</u> Governor's proclamation Notice to lieutenant governor
1531	When annexation effective.
1532	(1) Upon receipt of the lieutenant governor's certification under Section [17-2-8]
1533	17-2-204, the governor shall issue a proclamation, stating the result of the vote in each county,
1534	and that the annexation of the territory to the annexing county will take effect as provided in
1535	Subsection (3).
1536	(2) [(a) Within 30 days after the issuance of the governor's proclamation under
1537	Subsection (1), the The legislative body of the annexing county shall:
1538	(a) within 30 days after the issuance of the governor's proclamation under Subsection
1539	(1), send [a notice] to the lieutenant governor[-]:
1540	[(b) Each notice under Subsection (2)(a) shall include:]
1541	[(i) a copy of the governor's proclamation;]
1542	[(ii) a certification that all necessary legal requirements relating to the annexation have
1543	been completed; and]
1544	[(iii) a map or plat that delineates an accurate metes and bounds description of the area

1545	that was annexed.]
1546	(i) a copy of a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5,
1547	that meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.5(3); and
1548	(ii) a copy of an approved final local entity plat, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5; and
1549	(b) upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of annexation under Section
1550	67-1a-6.5, submit to the recorder of the annexing county:
1551	(i) the original notice of an impending boundary action;
1552	(ii) the original certificate of consolidation;
1553	(iii) the original approved final local entity plat; and
1554	(iv) a certified copy of the governor's proclamation under Subsection (1).
1555	(3) (a) An annexation approved at an election under Section [17-2-6] 17-2-203 takes
1556	effect on January 1 of the year immediately following [issuance of the: (a) governor's
1557	proclamation; and (b)] the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of [boundary change
1558	by the lieutenant governor] annexation under Section 67-1a-6.5.
1559	(b) (i) The effective date of a county annexation for purposes of assessing property
1560	within the annexing county is governed by Section 59-2-305.5.
1561	(ii) Until the documents listed in Subsection (2)(b) are recorded in the office of the
1562	recorder of the county in which the property is located, an annexing county may not:
1563	(A) levy or collect a property tax on property in the annexing county that used to be in
1564	the initiating county;
1565	(B) levy or collect an assessment on property in the annexing county that used to be in
1566	the initiating county; or
1567	(C) charge or collect a fee for service provided to property within the annexing county
1568	that used to be in the initiating county.
1569	Section 31. Section 17-2-206, which is renumbered from Section 17-2-10 is
1570	renumbered and amended to read:
1571	[17-2-10]. 17-2-206. Territory becomes part of annexing county Division of
1572	revenues.
1573	(1) Upon the effective date of the annexation, all the area proposed to be annexed shall
1574	become part of the annexing county.
1575	(2) (a) The legislative body of the <u>initiating</u> county [in which the area proposed to be

1576	annexed is located before annexation] shall:
1577	(i) until the date of annexation, continue:
1578	(A) to levy and collect ad valorem property tax and other revenues from or pertaining
1579	to the area; and
1580	(B) except as otherwise agreed with the annexing county, to provide the same services
1581	to the area proposed to be annexed as the <u>initiating</u> county provided before the commencement
1582	of the annexation proceedings; and
1583	(ii) after annexation, share pro rata with the annexing county the taxes and service
1584	charges or fees levied and collected by the initiating county during the year of the annexation if
1585	and to the extent that the annexing county provides, by itself or by contract, the same services
1586	for which the initiating county levied and collected the taxes and service charges or fees.
1587	(b) The pro rata allocation of taxes under Subsection (2)(a)(ii) shall be based on the
1588	date of annexation, and the pro rata allocation of service charges and fees shall be based on the
1589	proportion of services related to the service charges and fees that remain to be rendered after
1590	annexation.
1591	Section 32. Section 17-2-207, which is renumbered from Section 17-2-11 is
1592	renumbered and amended to read:
1593	[17-2-11]. 17-2-207. Effect on precincts and school districts Assumption of
1594	indebtedness.
1595	(1) The precincts and school districts in the annexed territory [shall]:
1596	(a) continue[, and shall];
1597	(b) become precincts and school districts in the annexing county; and [shall]
1598	(c) remain as then organized until changed in the manner provided by law[, and the].
1599	(2) The officers of [such] those precincts and school districts [shall] hold their
1600	respective offices until the expiration of [the] their terms [thereof; provided, that whenever
1601	pursuant to the provisions of this chapter any].
1602	(3) If a precinct or school district [shall be] is divided [the same shall become] because
1603	of a county annexation under this part:
1604	(a) the precinct or school district is disorganized, and the property and territory
1605	embraced [therein shall be] in the precinct or school district is subject to the action of the

county legislative body of the respective counties[; provided further, that]; and

1607	(b) any bonded or other indebtedness of [any such] a school district [shall attach]
1608	attaches to[7] and [become] becomes the obligation of[7] the district that [shall be] is created
1609	out of the territory that [shall retain] retains the buildings and other property of the original
1610	district.
1611	Section 33. Section 17-2-208, which is renumbered from Section 17-2-12 is
1612	renumbered and amended to read:
1613	[17-2-12]. <u>17-2-208.</u> Pending criminal proceedings.
1614	All criminal proceedings and actions [which shall be] pending in the annexed territory
1615	at the time of annexation shall be prosecuted to judgment and execution in [such] the annexed
1616	territory as part of the annexing county. All offenses [theretofore] committed in the annexed
1617	territory [which shall not] before annexation that have not been prosecuted may be prosecuted
1618	to judgment and execution in [such] the annexed territory or any part of the annexing county.
1619	Section 34. Section 17-2-209, which is renumbered from Section 17-2-13 is
1620	renumbered and amended to read:
1621	[17-2-13]. 17-2-209. Minor adjustments to county boundaries authorized
1622	Public hearing Joint resolution of county legislative bodies Notice to lieutenant
1623	governor.
1624	(1) Counties sharing a common boundary may, in accordance with the provisions of
1625	Subsection (2) and Article XI, Section 3, of the Utah Constitution, adjust all or part of the
1626	common boundary to move it up to 1,000 feet from its location before the adjustment.
1627	(2) The legislative bodies of both counties desiring to adjust a common boundary in
1628	accordance with Subsection (1) shall:
1629	(a) hold a joint public hearing on the proposed boundary adjustment;
1630	(b) in addition to the regular notice required for public meetings of the county
1631	legislative bodies, mail written notice to all real property owners of record whose property may
1632	change counties as the result of the proposed adjustment; and
1633	(c) adopt a joint resolution approved by both county legislative bodies [which: (i)
1634	approves] approving the proposed boundary adjustment[;].
1635	[(ii) sets forth the legal description of the county boundary after the adjustment; and]
1636	[(iii) provides an effective date for the boundary adjustment.]
1637	[(3) (a) Within 15 days after the adoption of a joint resolution under Subsection (2)(c)

1638	by both counties, the legislative bodies shall]
1639	(3) The legislative bodies of both counties adopting a joint resolution under Subsection
1640	(2)(c) shall:
1641	(a) within 15 days after adopting the joint resolution, jointly send [a notice] to the
1642	lieutenant governor[-]:
1643	[(b) Each notice under Subsection (3)(a) shall include:]
1644	[(i) a copy of the joint resolution under Subsection (2)(c);]
1645	[(ii) a certification that all necessary legal requirements relating to the boundary
1646	adjustment have been completed; and]
1647	[(iii) a map or plat, verified by the county surveyor, and filed with the county surveyor
1648	in accordance with Section 17-23-17, that delineates an accurate metes and bounds description
1649	of the boundary adjustment.]
1650	(i) a copy of a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5,
1651	that meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.5(3); and
1652	(ii) a copy of an approved final local entity plat, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5; and
1653	(b) upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of boundary adjustment
1654	under Section 67-1a-6.5, jointly submit to the recorder of the county in which the property is
1655	located after the boundary adjustment:
1656	(i) the original notice of an impending boundary action;
1657	(ii) the original certificate of boundary adjustment;
1658	(iii) the original approved final local entity plat; and
1659	(iv) a certified copy of the joint resolution approving the boundary adjustment.
1660	(4) (a) As used in this Subsection (4):
1661	(i) "Affected area" means an area that, as a result of a boundary adjustment under this
1662	section, is moved from within the boundary of one county to within the boundary of another
1663	county.
1664	(ii) "Receiving county" means a county whose boundary includes an affected area as a
1665	result of a boundary adjustment under this section.
1666	(b) A boundary adjustment under this section takes effect on the date the lieutenant
1667	governor issues a certificate of boundary adjustment under Section 67-1a-6.5.
1668	(c) (i) The effective date of a boundary adjustment for purposes of assessing property

1669	within an affected area is governed by Section 59-2-305.5.
1670	(ii) Until the documents listed in Subsection (3)(b) are recorded in the office of the
1671	recorder of the county in which the property is located, a receiving county may not:
1672	(A) levy or collect a property tax on property within an affected area;
1673	(B) levy or collect an assessment on property within an affected area; or
1674	(C) charge or collect a fee for service provided to property within an affected area.
1675	[(4)] (5) Upon the effective date of [the joint resolution under Subsection (2)(c) or the
1676	date the lieutenant governor issues the certificate of] a boundary [change] adjustment under
1677	[Section 67-1a-6.5, whichever date is later,] this section:
1678	(a) all territory designated to be [annexed] adjusted into another county [shall become]
1679	becomes the territory of the [annexing] other county; and
1680	(b) the provisions of Sections [17-2-11 and 17-2-12 shall] <u>17-2-207 and 17-2-208</u>
1681	apply in the same manner as with [any other annexations] an annexation under this [chapter]
1682	part.
1683	Section 35. Section 17-3-3 is amended to read:
1684	17-3-3. Certification of returns Governor's proclamation of creation of new
1685	county Name Judicial district Notice to lieutenant governor.
1686	[(1) The certified abstract of returns under Section 17-3-2 shall be filed in the office of
1687	the lieutenant governor, who shall certify the result to the governor.]
1688	$[\frac{(2)}{2}]$ If it appears that any proposition submitted to the electors as provided in this
1689	chapter has been carried in the affirmative by a majority vote of the qualified electors residing
1690	in that portion of the county proposed as a new county, and also by a majority vote of the
1691	qualified electors residing in the remaining portion of that county[;]:
1692	(a) the lieutenant governor, upon receiving the certified report under Section
1693	20A-4-304, shall certify the result to the governor; and
1694	(b) upon receiving the results from the lieutenant governor under Subsection (1)(a), the
1695	governor shall issue a proclamation, stating:
1696	[(a)] (i) the result of the vote in each division of the county;
1697	[(b)] (ii) the name and boundaries of the new county;
1698	[(c)] (iii) the boundaries of the original county as changed by the creation of the new
1699	county;

1/00	$\left[\frac{(d)}{(d)}\right]$ that the creation of the new county will take effect on the first Monday in
1701	January following the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of creation under Section
1702	<u>67-1a-6.5</u> ;
1703	$[\underline{(e)}]$ (v) the name proposed in the petition as the name of the new county; and
1704	[(f)] <u>(vi)</u> the judicial district to which the new county belongs.
1705	[(3) (a) Within 30 days after the issuance of the governor's proclamation under
1706	Subsection (2), the]
1707	(2) The legislative body of the county from which the greatest portion of the new
1708	county was taken shall:
1709	(a) within 30 days after the issuance of the governor's proclamation under Subsection
1710	(1), send [a notice] to the lieutenant governor[-]:
1711	[(b) Each notice under Subsection (3)(a) shall include:]
1712	[(i) a copy of the governor's proclamation;]
1713	[(ii) a certification that all necessary legal requirements relating to the creation of the
1714	new county have been completed; and]
1715	[(iii) a map or plat that delineates an accurate metes and bounds description of the new
1716	county.]
1717	(i) a copy of a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5.
1718	that meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.5(3); and
1719	(ii) a copy of an approved final local entity plat, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5; and
1720	(b) upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of creation under Section
1721	67-1a-6.5, submit to the recorder of the new county:
1722	(i) the original notice of an impending boundary action;
1723	(ii) the original certificate of creation;
1724	(iii) the original approved final local entity plat; and
1725	(iv) a certified copy of the governor's proclamation under Subsection (1).
1726	[(4)] (3) (a) The new county that is the subject of the [governor's proclamation under
1727	Subsection (2) shall be] lieutenant governor's certificate of creation under Section 67-1a-6.5 is
1728	a county of the state from and after 12 noon of the first Monday in January following the
1729	issuance of the [governor's proclamation.] lieutenant governor's certificate of creation.
1730	(b) (i) The effective date of the creation of a new county for purposes of assessing

1731	property within the county is governed by Section 59-2-305.5.
1732	(ii) Until the documents listed in Subsection (3)(b) are recorded in the office of the
1733	recorder of the new county, the new county may not:
1734	(A) levy or collect a property tax on property in the county;
1735	(B) levy or collect an assessment on property in the county; or
1736	(C) charge or collect a fee for service provided to property within the county.
1737	Section 36. Section 17-21-20 is amended to read:
1738	17-21-20. Recording required Recorder may impose requirements on
1739	documents to be recorded Prerequisites Additional fee for noncomplying documents
1740	Recorder may require tax serial number Exceptions.
1741	(1) Subject to Subsections (2), (3), and (4), each paper, notice, and instrument required
1742	by law to be filed in the office of the county recorder shall be recorded unless otherwise
1743	provided.
1744	(2) Each document executed on or after July 1, 2007 that is submitted for recording to
1745	a county recorder's office shall:
1746	(a) unless otherwise provided by law, be an original or certified copy of the document;
1747	(b) be in English or be accompanied by an accurate English translation of the
1748	document;
1749	(c) contain a brief title, heading, or caption on the first page stating the nature of the
1750	document;
1751	(d) contain the legal description of the property that is the subject of the document;
1752	(e) comply with the requirements of Section 17-21-25 and Subsections 57-3-105(1)
1753	and (2);
1754	(f) be notarized with the notary stamp with the seal legible; and
1755	(g) have original signatures.
1756	(3) (a) Beginning September 1, 2007, a county recorder may require that each paper,
1757	notice, and instrument submitted for recording in the county recorder's office:
1758	(i) be on white paper that is 8-1/2 inches by 11 inches in size;
1759	(ii) have a margin of one inch on the left and right sides and at the bottom of each
1760	page;
1761	(iii) have a space of 2-1/2 inches down and 4-1/2 inches across the upper right corner

- 1762 of the first page and a margin of one inch at the top of each succeeding page; 1763 (iv) not be on sheets of paper that are continuously bound together at the side, top, or 1764 bottom: 1765 (v) not contain printed material on more than one side of each page; 1766 (vi) be printed in black ink and not have text smaller than seven lines of text per 1767 vertical inch; and 1768 (vii) be sufficiently legible to make certified copies. 1769 (b) A county recorder who intends to establish requirements under Subsection (3)(a) 1770 shall first: 1771 (i) provide formal notice of the requirements; and 1772 (ii) establish and publish an effective date for the requirements that is at least three 1773 months after the formal notice under Subsection (3)(b)(i). 1774 (c) If a county recorder establishes requirements under this Subsection (3), the county 1775 recorder may charge and collect from persons who submit a document for recording that does 1776 not comply with the requirements, in addition to any other fee that the county recorder is 1777 authorized to charge and collect, a fee that: (i) is calculated to recover the additional cost of handling and recording noncomplying 1778 1779 documents: and 1780 (ii) may not exceed \$2 per page. 1781 (4) (a) To facilitate the abstracting of an instrument, a county recorder may require that 1782 the applicable tax serial number of each parcel affected by the instrument appear on each 1783 instrument before it may be accepted for recording. 1784 (b) If a county recorder requires the applicable tax serial number to be on an instrument 1785 before it may be recorded: (i) the county recorder shall post a notice of that requirement in a conspicuous place at 1786 1787 the recorder's office; 1788 (ii) the tax serial number may not be considered to be part of the legal description and
 - (5) Subsections (2), (3), and (4) do not apply to:

may be indicated on the margin of the instrument; and

effectiveness of the recording.

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(iii) an error in the tax serial number does not affect the validity of the instrument or

1793	(a) a map;
1794	(b) a certificate or affidavit of death;
1795	(c) a military discharge;
1796	(d) a document regarding taxes that is issued by the Internal Revenue Service of the
1797	United States Department of the Treasury;
1798	(e) a document submitted for recording that has been filed with a court and conforms to
1799	the formatting requirements established by the court; or
1800	(f) a document submitted for recording that is in a form required by law.
1801	(6) (a) As used in this Subsection (6):
1802	(i) "Boundary action" has the same meaning as defined in Section 17-23-20.
1803	(ii) "Local entity" has the same meaning as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5.
1804	(b) A person may not submit to a county recorder for recording a plat depicting the
1805	boundary of a local entity as the boundary exists as a result of a boundary action, unless:
1806	(i) the plat has been $\hat{\mathbf{H}} \rightarrow [\underline{\mathbf{certified}}]$ approved $\leftarrow \hat{\mathbf{H}}$ under Section 17-23-20 by the county
1806a	surveyor as a final
1807	local entity plat, as defined in Section 17-23-20; and
1808	(ii) the person also submits for recording:
1809	(A) the original notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in Section
1810	67-1a-6.5, for the boundary action for which the plat is submitted for recording; and
1811	(B) the original applicable certificate, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5, issued by the
1812	lieutenant governor under Section 67-1a-6.5 for the boundary action for which the plat is
1813	submitted for recording; and
1814	(C) each other document required by statute to be submitted for recording with the
1815	notice of an impending boundary action and applicable certificate.
1816	(c) Promptly after recording the documents described in Subsection (6)(b) relating to a
1817	boundary action, but no later than ten days after recording, the county recorder shall send a
1818	copy of all those documents to the State Tax Commission.
1819	Section 37. Section 17-23-20 is enacted to read:
1820	17-23-20. Final plats of local entity boundary actions County surveyor
1821	certification of final plat.
1822	(1) As used in this section:
1823	(a) "Approving authority" means the person or body required under applicable statute

1824	to submit to the lieutenant governor a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in
1825	Section 67-1a-6.5.
1826	(b) (i) "Boundary action" means any action that establishes, modifies, or eliminates the
1827	boundary of a local entity, including incorporation or creation, annexation, withdrawal or
1828	disconnection, consolidation, division, boundary adjustment, and dissolution.
1829	(ii) "Boundary action" does not include the determination of the true location of a
1830	county boundary under Section 17-50-105.
1831	(c) "Final local entity plat" means a plat that Ĥ→ [:
1832	(i) depicts:
1833	(A) in the case of a proposed creation or incorporation of a local entity, the boundary of
1834	the proposed local entity;
1835	(B) in the case of a proposed annexation of an area into an existing local entity, the
1836	boundary of the area proposed to be annexed;
1837	(C) in the case of a proposed adjustment of a boundary between local entities, the
1838	boundary of the area that the boundary adjustment proposes to move from within the boundary
1839	of one local entity to within the boundary of another local entity;
1840	(D) in the case of a proposed withdrawal or disconnection of an area from a local
1841	entity, the boundary of the area that is proposed to be withdrawn or disconnected;
1842	(E) in the case of a proposed consolidation of multiple local entities, the boundary of
1843	the consolidated local entity; and
1844	(F) in the case of a proposed division of a local entity into multiple local entities, the
1845	boundary of each new local entity created by the proposed division; and
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1847	(d) "Local entity" has the same meaning as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5.
1848	(2) Upon request and in consultation with the county recorder, the county surveyor of
1849	each county in which property depicted on a plat is located shall determine whether the plat is a
1850	final local entity plat.
1851	(3) (a) If a county surveyor determines that a plat meets the requirements of Subsection
1852	(4), the county surveyor shall approve the plat as a final local entity plat.
1853	(b) The county surveyor shall indicate the approval of a plat as a final local entity plat
1854	on the face of the final local entity plat

1855	(4) A plat may not be approved as a final local entity plat unless the plat:
1856	(a) contains a graphical illustration $\hat{\mathbf{H}} \rightarrow [$ [of the local entity boundary, as the boundary is
1857	proposed to exist as a result of a proposed boundary action; depicting:
1857a	(i) in the case of a proposed creation or incorporation of a local entity, the boundary of
1857b	the proposed local entity;
1857c	(ii) in the case of a proposed annexation of an area into an existing local entity, the
1857d	boundary of the area proposed to be annexed;
1857e	(iii) in the case of a proposed adjustment of a boundary between local entities, the
1857f	boundary of the area that the boundary adjustment proposes to move from inside the
1857g	boundary of one local entity to inside the boundary of another local entity;
1857h	(iv) in the case of a proposed withdrawal or disconnection of an area from a local entity
1857i	the boundary of the area that is proposed to be withdrawn or disconnected;
1857j	(v) in the case of a proposed consolidation of multiple local entities, the boundary of the
1857k	proposed consolidated local entity; and
18571	(vi) in the case of a proposed division of a local entity into multiple local entities, the
1857m	boundary of each new local entity created by the proposed division; ←Ĥ
1858	(b) is created on reproducible material that is:
1859	(i) permanent in nature; and
1860	(ii) the size and type specified by the county recorder;
1861	(c) is drawn to a scale so that all data are legible;
1862	(d) contains complete and accurate boundary information, including, as appropriate,
1863	calls along existing boundary lines, sufficient to enable:
1864	(i) the county surveyor to establish the boundary on the ground, in the event of a
1865	dispute about the accurate location of the boundary; and
1866	(ii) the county recorder to identify, for tax purposes, each tract or parcel included
1867	within the boundary;
1868	(e) depicts a name for the plat, approved by the county recorder, that is sufficiently
1869	unique to distinguish the plat from all other recorded plats in the county;
1870	(f) contains:
1871	(i) the name of the local entity whose boundary is depicted on the plat;
1872	(ii) the name of each county within which any property depicted on the plat is located;
1873	(iii) the date that the plat was prepared;
1874	(iv) a north arrow and legend;
1875	(v) a signature block for:

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1876	(A) the signatures of:
1877	(I) the professional land surveyor who prepared the plat; and
1878	(II) the local entity's approving authority; and
1879	(B) the approval of the county surveyor; and
1880	(vi) a three inch by three inch block in the lower right hand corner for the county
1881	recorder's use when recording the plat;
1882	(g) has been certified and signed by a professional land surveyor licensed under Title
1883	58, Chapter 22, Professional Engineers and Professional Land Surveyors Licensing Act; and
1884	(h) has been reviewed and signed by the approving authority of the local entity whose
1885	boundary is depicted on the plat.

1886	(5) The county surveyor may charge and collect a reasonable fee for the costs
1887	associated with:
1888	(a) the process of determining whether a plat is a final local entity plat; and
1889	(b) the approval of a plat as a final local entity plat.
1890	Section 38. Section 17-50-104 is amended to read:
1891	17-50-104. Counties of the state County boundaries maintained by lieutenant
1892	governor Notice of county boundary changes.
1893	(1) The counties of the state are those whose geographic boundaries are described in
1894	the official county boundary records maintained by the office of the lieutenant governor and
1895	may be changed only in accordance with the provisions of this title.
1896	(2) The office of the lieutenant governor shall maintain the official county boundaries
1897	for the counties of the state and update those boundaries [when notified of a change in county
1898	boundaries in accordance with Subsection (3)] upon the lieutenant governor's issuance, under
1899	Section 67-1a-6.5, of an applicable certificate, as defined in that section.
1900	[(3) Whenever any change is made to county boundaries under this title, the affected
1901	counties shall provide notice of the change, including an accurate map or plat of the changed
1902	county boundaries, to the lieutenant governor.]
1903	Section 39. Section 17-50-105 is amended to read:
1904	17-50-105. Disputed boundaries.
1905	(1) As used in this section, "independent surveyor" means the surveyor whose position
1906	is established within the Automated Geographic Reference Center under Subsection
1907	63F-1-506(3).
1908	[(1)] (2) (a) If a dispute or uncertainty arises as to the true location of a county
1909	boundary as described in the official records maintained by the office of the lieutenant
1910	governor, the surveyors of each county whose boundary is the subject of the dispute or
1911	uncertainty may determine the true location.
1912	(b) If agreement is reached under Subsection [(1)] (2)(a), the county surveyors shall
1913	provide notice, accompanied by a map, to the lieutenant governor showing the true location of
1914	the county boundary.
1915	[(2)] (a) If the county surveyors fail to agree on or otherwise fail to establish the
1916	true location of the county boundary, the county executive of either or both of the affected

counties shall engage the services of the [state engineer] independent surveyor.

- (b) After being engaged under Subsection [(2)] (3)(a), the [state engineer] independent surveyor shall notify the surveyor of each county whose boundary is the subject of the dispute or uncertainty of the procedure the [state engineer] independent surveyor will use to determine the true location of the boundary.
- (c) With the assistance of each surveyor who chooses to participate, the [state engineer] independent surveyor shall determine permanently the true location of the boundary by marking surveys and erecting suitable monuments to designate the boundary.
- (d) Each boundary established under this Subsection [(2)] (3) shall be considered permanent until superseded by legislative enactment.
- (e) The [state engineer] independent surveyor shall provide notice, accompanied by a map, to the lieutenant governor showing the true location of the county boundary.
- [(3)] (4) Nothing in this section may be construed to give the county surveyors or [state engineer] independent surveyor any authority other than to erect suitable monuments to designate county boundaries as they are described in the official records maintained by the office of the lieutenant governor.
- Section 40. Section **17B-1-105** is amended to read:
- 17B-1-105. Name of local district -- Name change.
- (1) (a) The name of each local district created on or after May 1, 2000 shall comply with Subsection 17-50-103(2)(a).
- (b) The board of each local district affected by Subsection 17-50-103(2)(b) shall ensure that after January 1, 2005 the local district name complies with the requirements of that Subsection.
- (2) The name of a local district created after April 30, 2007 may not include the name of a county or municipality.
- (3) The name of a local district may include words descriptive of the type of service that the district provides.
- (4) (a) A local district board may change the name of that local district [by:] <u>as</u> <u>provided in this Subsection (4).</u>
 - (b) To initiate a name change, the local district board shall:
- (i) [holding] hold a public hearing on the proposed name change;

1948	(ii) [adopting] adopt a resolution approving the name change; and
1949	[(iii) giving written notice of the name change to the lieutenant governor, the State Tax
1950	Commission, the state auditor, and the clerk, recorder, and assessor of each county in which
1951	any part of the local district is located.]
1952	(iii) file with the lieutenant governor a notice of an impending name change, as defined
1953	in Section 67-1a-6.7, that meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.7(3).
1954	(c) Upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of name change under
1955	Section 67-1a-6.7, the local district board shall:
1956	(i) if the local district is located within the boundary of a single county, submit to the
1957	recorder of that county:
1958	(A) the original:
1959	(I) notice of an impending name change; and
1960	(II) certificate of name change; and
1961	(B) a certified copy of the resolution approving the name change; or
1962	(ii) if the local district is located within the boundaries of more than a single county:
1963	(A) submit to the recorder of one of those counties:
1964	(I) the original of the documents listed in Subsections (4)(c)(i)(A)(I) and (II); and
1965	(II) a certified copy of the resolution approving the name change; and
1966	(B) submit to the recorder of each other county:
1967	(I) a certified copy of the documents listed in Subsections (4)(c)(i)(A)(I) and (II); and
1968	(II) a certified copy of the resolution approving the name change.
1969	$[\underline{(b)}]$ $\underline{(d)}$ $\underline{(i)}$ A name change under \underline{this} Subsection $\underline{(4)}[\underline{(a)}]$ becomes effective upon the
1970	[board's giving the notice required under Subsection (4)(a)(iii).] lieutenant governor's issuance
1971	of a certificate of name change under Section 67-1a-6.7.
1972	(ii) Notwithstanding Subsection (4)(d)(i), the local district may not operate under the
1973	new name until the documents listed in Subsection (4)(c) are recorded in the office of the
1974	recorder of each county in which the local district is located.
1975	Section 41. Section 17B-1-215 is amended to read:
1976	17B-1-215. Notice to lieutenant governor Certificate of incorporation Local
1977	district incorporated as specialized local district or basic local district.
1978	(1) [The] (a) Within the time specified in Subsection (1)(b), the responsible body shall

19/9	file [a notice] with the lieutenant governor:
1980	(i) a copy of a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5,
1981	that meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.5(3); and
1982	(ii) a copy of an approved final local entity plat, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5.
1983	(b) The responsible body shall file the documents listed in Subsection (1)(a) with the
1984	lieutenant governor within ten days after:
1985	[(a)] (i) the canvass of an election under Section 17B-1-214, if a majority of those
1986	voting at the election within the proposed local district as a whole vote in favor of the creation
1987	of a local district;
1988	[(b)] (ii) certification of a petition as to which the election requirement of Subsection
1989	17B-1-214(1) does not apply because of Subsection 17B-1-214(3)(a) or (b); or
1990	[(c)] (iii) adoption of a resolution under Subsection 17B-1-213(4) approving the
1991	creation of a local district for which an election was not required under Subsection
1992	17B-1-214(3)(c) or (d), by the legislative body of each county whose unincorporated area is
1993	included within and the legislative body of each municipality whose area is included within the
1994	proposed local district, or by the board of trustees of the initiating local district.
1995	(2) Upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of incorporation under
1996	Section 67-1a-6.5, the responsible body shall:
1997	(a) if the local district is located within the boundary of a single county, submit to the
1998	recorder of that county:
1999	(i) the original:
2000	(A) notice of an impending boundary action;
2001	(B) certificate of incorporation; and
2002	(C) approved final local entity plat; and
2003	(ii) if applicable, a certified copy of each resolution adopted under Subsection
2004	<u>17B-1-213(4); or</u>
2005	(b) if the local district is located within the boundaries of more than a single county:
2006	(i) submit to the recorder of one of those counties:
2007	(A) the original of the documents listed in Subsections (2)(a)(i)(A), (B), and (C); and
2008	(B) if applicable, a certified copy of each resolution adopted under Subsection
2009	17B-1-213(4); and

2010	(ii) submit to the recorder of each other county:
2011	(A) a certified copy of the documents listed in Subsection (2)(a)(i)(A), (B), and (C);
2012	<u>and</u>
2013	(B) if applicable, a certified copy of each resolution adopted under Subsection
2014	<u>17B-1-213(4).</u>
2015	[(2)] (3) The area of each local district [shall consist] consists of:
2016	(a) if an election was held under Section 17B-1-214, the area of the new local district
2017	as approved at the election;
2018	(b) if an election was not required because of Subsection 17B-1-214(3)(a) or (b), the
2019	area of the proposed local district as described in the petition; or
2020	(c) if an election was not required because of Subsection 17B-1-214(3)(c) or (d), the
2021	area of the new local district as described in the resolution adopted under Subsection
2022	17B-1-213(4).
2023	[(3) In each notice under Subsection (1) the responsible body shall:]
2024	[(a) if the notice follows an election under Section 17B-1-214, certify the results of the
2025	election;]
2026	[(b) describe the boundaries of the new local district with an accurate map or plat
2027	showing the boundaries delineated in Subsection (2), prepared and certified by a licensed
2028	surveyor and filed with the county surveyor in accordance with Section 17-23-17; and]
2029	[(c) certify that all requirements for the creation of a local district have been complied
2030	with.]
2031	(4) (a) Upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of the certificate of [ereation]
2032	incorporation under Section 67-1a-6.5, the local district is created and incorporated as:
2033	[(a)] (i) the type of specialized local district that was specified in the petition under
2034	Subsection 17B-1-203(1)(a) or (b) or resolution under Subsection 17B-1-203(1)(c) or (d), if the
2035	petition or resolution proposed the creation of a specialized local district; or
2036	[(b)] (ii) a basic local district, if the petition or resolution did not propose the creation
2037	of a specialized local district.
2038	(b) (i) The effective date of a local district's incorporation for purposes of assessing
2039	property within the local district is governed by Section 59-2-305.5.
2040	(ii) Until the documents listed in Subsection (2) are recorded in the office of the

2041	recorder of each county in which the property is located, a newly incorporated local district
2042	may not:
2043	(A) levy or collect a property tax on property within the local district;
2044	(B) levy or collect an assessment on property within the local district; or
2045	(C) charge or collect a fee for service provided to property within the local district.
2046	Section 42. Section 17B-1-216 is amended to read:
2047	17B-1-216. Costs and expenses of creating a local district.
2048	(1) Except as provided in Subsection (2), each county whose unincorporated area
2049	includes and each municipality whose boundaries include some or all of the proposed local
2050	district shall bear their respective costs and expenses associated with the procedure under this
2051	part for creating a local district.
2052	(2) Within a year after its creation, each local district shall reimburse the costs and
2053	expenses associated with the preparation, certification, and [filing] recording of the [map]
2054	approved final local entity plat of the local district and accompanying documents under
2055	[Subsection 17B-1-215(3)(b)] Section 17B-1-215.
2056	Section 43. Section 17B-1-405 is amended to read:
2057	17B-1-405. Petition certification.
2058	(1) Within 30 days after the filing of a petition under Subsection 17B-1-403(1)(a)(i) or
2059	(ii) or within the time that the local district and each petition sponsor designate by written
2060	agreement, the board of trustees of the proposed annexing local district shall:
2061	(a) with the assistance of officers of the county in which the area proposed to be
2062	annexed is located from whom the board requests assistance, determine whether the petition
2063	meets the requirements of Subsection 17B-1-403(1)(a)(i) or (ii), as the case may be, Subsection
2064	17B-1-403(3), and Subsection 17B-1-404(1); and
2065	(b) (i) if the board determines that the petition complies with the requirements, certify
2066	the petition and mail or deliver written notification of the certification to the contact sponsor;
2067	or
2068	(ii) if the board determines that the petition fails to comply with any of the
2069	requirements, reject the petition and mail or deliver written notification of the rejection and the
2070	reasons for the rejection to the contact sponsor.

(2) (a) If the board rejects a petition under Subsection (1)(b)(ii), the petition may be

2072	amended to correct the deficiencies for which it was rejected and then refiled.
2073	(b) A valid signature on a petition that was rejected under Subsection (1)(b)(ii) may be
2074	used toward fulfilling the applicable signature requirement of the petition as amended under
2075	Subsection (2)(a).
2076	(3) The board shall process an amended petition filed under Subsection (2)(a) in the
2077	same manner as an original petition under Subsection (1).
2078	Section 44. Section 17B-1-414 is amended to read:
2079	17B-1-414. Resolution approving an annexation Notice of annexation When
2080	annexation complete.
2081	(1) (a) Subject to Subsection (1)(b), the local district board shall adopt a resolution
2082	approving the annexation of the area proposed to be annexed or rejecting the proposed
2083	annexation within 30 days after:
2084	(i) expiration of the protest period under Subsection 17B-1-412(2), if sufficient protests
2085	to require an election are not filed;
2086	(ii) for a petition that meets the requirements of Subsection 17B-1-413(1):
2087	(A) a public hearing under Section 17B-1-409 is held, if the board chooses or is
2088	required to hold a public hearing under Subsection 17B-1-413(2)(a)(ii); or
2089	(B) expiration of the time for submitting a request for public hearing under Subsection
2090	17B-1-413(2)(a)(ii)(B), if no request is submitted and the board chooses not to hold a public
2091	hearing.
2092	(b) If the local district has entered into an agreement with the United States that
2093	requires the consent of the United States for an annexation of territory to the district, a
2094	resolution approving annexation under this part may not be adopted until the written consent of
2095	the United States is obtained and filed with the board of trustees.
2096	(2) (a) [The] (i) Within the time specified under Subsection (2)(a)(ii), the board shall
2097	file [a notice] with the lieutenant governor:
2098	(A) a copy of a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in Section
2099	67-1a-6.5, that meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.5(3) and, if applicable,
2100	Subsection (2)(b); and
2101	(B) a copy of an approved final local entity plat, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5.

(ii) The board shall file the documents listed in Subsection (2)(a)(i) with the lieutenant

2103	governor:
2104	[(i)] (A) within 30 days after adoption of a resolution under Subsection (1), Subsection
2105	17B-1-412(3)(c)(i), or Section 17B-1-415; and
2106	[(ii)] (B) as soon as practicable after receiving the notice under Subsection 10-2-425(2)
2107	of a municipal annexation that causes an automatic annexation to a local district under Section
2108	17B-1-416.
2109	(b) [The notice] For an automatic annexation to a local district under Section
2110	17B-1-416, the notice of an impending boundary action required under Subsection (2)(a) shall[:
2111	(i) be accompanied by: (A) if applicable, a copy of the board resolution approving the
2112	annexation; and (B) an accurate map depicting the boundaries of the area to be annexed or a
2113	legal description of the area to be annexed, adequate for purposes of the county assessor and
2114	recorder; (ii) for an annexation pursuant to a resolution described in Subsection (2)(a)(i),
2115	include a certification by the local district board that all requirements for the annexation have
2116	been complied with; and (iii) for an automatic annexation to a local district under Section
2117	17B-1-416,] state that an area outside the boundaries of the local district is being automatically
2118	annexed to the local district under Section 17B-1-416 because of a municipal annexation under
2119	Title 10, Chapter 2, Part 4, Annexation.
2120	(c) Upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of annexation under Section
2121	67-1a-6.5, the board shall:
2122	(i) if the annexed area is located within the boundary of a single county, submit to the
2123	recorder of that county:
2124	(A) the original:
2125	(I) notice of an impending boundary action;
2126	(II) certificate of annexation; and
2127	(III) approved final local entity plat; and
2128	(B) a certified copy of the annexation resolution; or
2129	(ii) if the annexed area is located within the boundaries of more than a single county:
2130	(A) submit to the recorder of one of those counties:
2131	(I) the original of the documents listed in Subsections (2)(c)(i)(A)(I), (II), and (III); and
2132	(II) a certified copy of the annexation resolution; and
2133	(B) submit to the recorder of each other county:

2134	(I) a certified copy of the documents listed in Subsection (2)(c)(i)(A)(I), (II), and (III);
2135	<u>and</u>
2136	(II) a certified copy of the annexation resolution.
2137	(3) (a) As used in this Subsection (3), "fire district annexation" means an annexation
2138	under this part of an area located in a county of the first class to a local district:
2139	(i) created to provide fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services; and
2140	(ii) in the creation of which an election was not required because of Subsection
2141	17B-1-214(3)(c).
2142	(b) An annexation under this part is complete and becomes effective:
2143	[(i) for an annexation pursuant to a resolution described in Subsection (2)(a)(i):]
2144	(i) (A) [(1)] on July 1 for a fire district annexation, if the lieutenant governor issues the
2145	certificate of annexation under Section 67-1a-6.5 from January 1 through June 30; or
2146	[(H)] (B) on January 1 for a fire district annexation, if the lieutenant governor issues
2147	the certificate of annexation under Section 67-1a-6.5 from July 1 through December 31; or
2148	[(B)] (ii) upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of the certificate of annexation under
2149	Section 67-1a-6.5, for [an] any other annexation [other than an annexation described in
2150	Subsection (3)(b)(i)(A); and].
2151	[(ii) for an automatic annexation that is the subject of a notice under Subsection
2152	(2)(a)(ii):]
2153	[(A) (I) on July 1 for a fire district annexation, if the lieutenant governor issues the
2154	certificate of annexation under Subsection 10-1-117(3)(b) from January 1 through June 30; or]
2155	[(II) on January 1 for a fire district annexation, if the lieutenant governor issues the
2156	certificate of annexation under Subsection 10-1-117(3)(b) from July 1 through December 31;
2157	or]
2158	[(B) upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of the certificate of annexation under
2159	Subsection 10-1-117(3)(b), for an annexation other than an annexation described in Subsection
2160	(3)(b)(ii)(A).]
2161	(c) (i) The effective date of a local district annexation for purposes of assessing
2162	property within the annexed area is governed by Section 59-2-305.5.
2163	(ii) Until the documents listed in Subsection (2)(c) are recorded in the office of the
2164	recorder of each county in which the property is located, a local district may not:

2165	(A) levy or collect a property tax on property within the annexed area;
2166	(B) levy or collect an assessment on property within the annexed area; or
2167	(C) charge or collect a fee for service provided to property within the annexed area.
2168	(iii) Subsection (3)(c)(ii)(C):
2169	(A) may not be construed to limit a local district's ability before annexation to charge
2170	and collect a fee for service provided to property that is outside the local district's boundary;
2171	<u>and</u>
2172	(B) does not apply until 60 days after the effective date, under Subsection (3)(b), of the
2173	local district's annexation, with respect to a fee that the local district was charging for service
2174	provided to property within the annexed area immediately before the area was annexed to the
2175	local district.
2176	Section 45. Section 17B-1-415 is amended to read:
2177	17B-1-415. Annexation of wholesale district through expansion of retail provider.
2178	(1) (a) A local district that provides a wholesale service may adopt a resolution
2179	approving the annexation of an area outside the local district's boundaries if:
2180	(i) the area is annexed by or otherwise added to, or is added to the retail service area of
2181	a municipality or another local district that:
2182	(A) acquires the wholesale service from the local district and provides it as a retail
2183	service;
2184	(B) is, before the annexation or other addition, located at least partly within the local
2185	district; and
2186	(C) after the annexation or other addition will provide to the annexed or added area the
2187	same retail service that the local district provides as a wholesale service to the municipality or
2188	other local district; and
2189	(ii) except as provided in Subsection (2), no part of the area is within the boundaries of
2190	another local district that provides the same wholesale service as the proposed annexing local
2191	district.
2192	(b) For purposes of this section:
2193	(i) a local district providing public transportation service shall be considered to be
2194	providing a wholesale service; and
2195	(ii) a municipality included within the boundaries of the local district providing public

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transportation service shall be considered to be acquiring that wholesale service from the local district and providing it as a retail service and to be providing that retail service after the annexation or other addition to the annexed or added area, even though the municipality does not in fact provide that service.

- (2) Notwithstanding Subsection (1)(a)(ii), an area outside the boundaries of a local district providing a wholesale service and located partly or entirely within the boundaries of another local district that provides the same wholesale service may be annexed to the local district if:
 - (a) the conditions under Subsection (1)(a)(i) are present; and
- (b) the proposed annexing local district and the other local district follow the same procedure as is required for a boundary adjustment under Section 17B-1-417, including both district boards adopting a resolution approving the annexation of the area to the proposed annexing local district and the withdrawal of that area from the other district.
- (3) Upon the adoption of an annexation resolution under this section, the board of the annexing local district shall comply with the requirements of Subsection 17B-1-414(2), and the lieutenant governor shall issue a certificate of annexation and send a copy of notice as provided in Section 67-1a-6.5.
- (4) [Subsection] Subsections 17B-1-414(2) and (3) [applies] apply to an annexation under this section.
 - Section 46. Section **17B-1-416** is amended to read:

17B-1-416. Automatic annexation to a district providing fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services.

- (1) An area outside the boundaries of a local district that is annexed to a municipality or added to a municipality by a boundary adjustment under Title 10, Chapter 2, Part 4, Annexation, is automatically annexed to the local district if:
 - (a) the local district provides fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services;
- 2222 (b) an election for the creation of the local district was not required because of 2223 Subsection 17B-1-214(3)(c); and
- (c) before the municipal annexation or boundary adjustment, the entire municipality that is annexing the area or adding the area by boundary adjustment was included within the local district.

2227	(2) The effective date of an annexation under this section is governed by Subsection
2228	17B-1-414(3)(b)[(ii)].
2229	Section 47. Section 17B-1-417 is amended to read:
2230	17B-1-417. Boundary adjustment Notice and hearing Protest Resolution
2231	adjusting boundaries Notice of the adjustment Notice to lieutenant governor.
2232	(1) As used in this section, "affected area" means the area located within the
2233	boundaries of one local district that will be removed from that local district and included within
2234	the boundaries of another local district because of a boundary adjustment under this section.
2235	(2) The boards of trustees of two or more local districts having a common boundary
2236	and providing the same service on the same wholesale or retail basis may adjust their common
2237	boundary as provided in this section.
2238	(3) (a) The board of trustees of each local district intending to adjust a boundary that is
2239	common with another local district shall:
2240	(i) adopt a resolution indicating the board's intent to adjust a common boundary;
2241	(ii) hold a public hearing on the proposed boundary adjustment no less than 60 days
2242	after the adoption of the resolution under Subsection (3)(a)(i); and
2243	(iii) (A) (I) publish notice once a week for two successive weeks in a newspaper of
2244	general circulation within the local district; or
2245	(II) if there is no newspaper of general circulation within the local district, post notice
2246	in at least four conspicuous places within the local district; or
2247	(B) mail a notice to each owner of property located within the affected area and to each
2248	registered voter residing within the affected area.
2249	(b) The notice required under Subsection (3)(a)(iii) shall:
2250	(i) state that the board of trustees of the local district has adopted a resolution
2251	indicating the board's intent to adjust a boundary that the local district has in common with
2252	another local district that provides the same service as the local district;
2253	(ii) describe the affected area;
2254	(iii) state the date, time, and location of the public hearing required under Subsection
2255	(3)(a)(ii);
2256	(iv) provide a local district telephone number where additional information about the
2257	proposed boundary adjustment may be obtained;

election before the filing of the protests.

2258 (v) explain the financial and service impacts of the boundary adjustment on property 2259 owners or residents within the affected area; and 2260 (vi) state in conspicuous and plain terms that the board of trustees may approve the adjustment of the boundaries unless, at or before the public hearing under Subsection (3)(a)(ii), 2261 2262 written protests to the adjustment are filed with the board by: 2263 (A) the owners of private real property that: 2264 (I) is located within the affected area; 2265 (II) covers at least 50% of the total private land area within the affected area; and 2266 (III) is equal in assessed value to at least 50% of the assessed value of all private real 2267 property within the affected area; or 2268 (B) registered voters residing within the affected area equal in number to at least 50% 2269 of the votes cast in the affected area for the office of governor at the last regular general 2270 election before the filing of the protests. 2271 (c) The first publication of the notice required under Subsection (3)(a)(iii)(A) shall be 2272 within 14 days after the board's adoption of a resolution under Subsection (3)(a)(i). 2273 (d) The boards of trustees of the local districts whose boundaries are being adjusted may jointly: 2274 2275 (i) publish, post, or mail the notice required under Subsection (3)(a)(iii); and 2276 (ii) hold the public hearing required under Subsection (3)(a)(ii). 2277 (4) After the public hearing required under Subsection (3)(a)(ii), the board of trustees 2278 may adopt a resolution approving the adjustment of the common boundary unless, at or before 2279 the public hearing, written protests to the boundary adjustment have been filed with the board 2280 by: 2281 (a) the owners of private real property that: 2282 (i) is located within the affected area; 2283 (ii) covers at least 50% of the total private land area within the affected area; and 2284 (iii) is equal in assessed value to at least 50% of the assessed value of all private real 2285 property within the affected area; or 2286 (b) registered voters residing within the affected area equal in number to at least 50% 2287 of the votes cast in the affected area for the office of governor at the last regular general

2289	(5) A resolution adopted under Subsection (4) does not take effect until the board of
2290	each local district whose boundaries are being adjusted has adopted a resolution under
2291	Subsection (4).
2292	(6) [(a) Within 30 days after the resolutions take effect under Subsection (5), the] The
2293	board of the local district whose boundaries are being adjusted to include the affected area shall
2294	[file a notice]:
2295	(a) within 30 days after the resolutions take effect under Subsection (5), file with the
2296	lieutenant governor[-]:
2297	[(b) The notice required under Subsection (6)(a) shall:]
2298	[(i) be accompanied by:]
2299	[(A) a copy of each of the board resolutions approving the boundary adjustment; and]
2300	[(B) an accurate map depicting the affected area or a legal description of the affected
2301	area, adequate for purposes of the county assessor and recorder; and]
2302	[(ii) include a certification by the board of the local district whose boundaries are being
2303	adjusted to include the affected area that all requirements for the boundary adjustment have
2304	been complied with.]
2305	(i) a copy of a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5,
2306	that meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.5(3); and
2307	(ii) a copy of an approved final local entity plat, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5; and
2308	(b) upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of boundary adjustment
2309	under Section 67-1a-6.5:
2310	(i) if the affected area is located within the boundary of a single county, submit to the
2311	recorder of that county:
2312	(A) the original:
2313	(I) notice of an impending boundary action;
2314	(II) certificate of boundary adjustment; and
2315	(III) approved final local entity plat; and
2316	(B) a certified copy of each resolution adopted under Subsection (4); or
2317	(ii) if the affected area is located within the boundaries of more than a single county:
2318	(A) submit to the recorder of one of those counties:
2319	(I) the original of the documents listed in Subsections (6)(b)(i)(A)(I), (II), and (III); and

2320	(II) a certified copy of each resolution adopted under Subsection (4); and
2321	(B) submit to the recorder of each other county:
2322	(I) a certified copy of the documents listed in Subsection (6)(b)(i)(A)(I), (II), and (III);
2323	<u>and</u>
2324	(II) a certified copy of each resolution adopted under Subsection (4).
2325	(7) (a) Upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of boundary [change]
2326	adjustment under Section 67-1a-6.5, the affected area is annexed to the local district whose
2327	boundaries are being adjusted to include the affected area, and the affected area is withdrawn
2328	from the local district whose boundaries are being adjusted to exclude the affected area.
2329	(b) (i) The effective date of a boundary adjustment under this section for purposes of
2330	assessing property within the affected area is governed by Section 59-2-305.5.
2331	(ii) Until the documents listed in Subsection (6)(b) are recorded in the office of the
2332	recorder of the county in which the property is located, a local district in whose boundary an
2333	affected area is included because of a boundary adjustment under this section may not:
2334	(A) levy or collect a property tax on property within the affected area;
2335	(B) levy or collect an assessment on property within the affected area; or
2336	(C) charge or collect a fee for service provided to property within the affected area.
2337	(iii) Subsection (7)(b)(ii)(C):
2338	(A) may not be construed to limit a local district's ability before a boundary adjustment
2339	to charge and collect a fee for service provided to property that is outside the local district's
2340	boundary; and
2341	(B) does not apply until 60 days after the effective date, under Subsection (7)(a), of the
2342	local district's boundary adjustment, with respect to a fee that the local district was charging for
2343	service provided to property within the area affected by the boundary adjustment immediately
2344	before the boundary adjustment.
2345	Section 48. Section 17B-1-512 is amended to read:
2346	17B-1-512. Notice of withdrawal Contest period Judicial review.
2347	(1) (a) [The] Within the time specified in Subsection (1)(b), the board of trustees shall
2348	file [a written notice of withdrawal] with the lieutenant governor:
2349	(i) a copy of a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5
2350	that meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.5(3); and

2351	(ii) a copy of an approved final local entity plat, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5.
2352	(b) The board of trustees shall file the documents listed in Subsection (1)(a):
2353	(i) within ten days after adopting a resolution approving a withdrawal under Section
2354	17B-1-510; and
2355	(ii) as soon as practicable after receiving a notice under Subsection 10-2-425(2) of an
2356	automatic withdrawal under Subsection 17B-1-502(2), after receiving a copy of the municipal
2357	legislative body's resolution approving an automatic withdrawal under Subsection
2358	17B-1-502(3)(a), or after receiving notice of a withdrawal of a municipality from a local
2359	district under Section 17B-2-505.
2360	[(b) The notice required under Subsection (1)(a) shall:]
2361	[(i) be accompanied by:]
2362	[(A) for a withdrawal pursuant to a resolution adopted under Section 17B-1-510, a
2363	copy of the board resolution approving the withdrawal; and]
2364	[(B) an accurate map depicting the boundaries of the withdrawn area or a legal
2365	description of the withdrawn area, adequate for purposes of the county assessor and recorder;
2366	and]
2367	[(ii) for a withdrawal pursuant to a resolution adopted under Section 17B-1-510,
2368	include a certification by the local district board that all requirements for the withdrawal have
2369	been complied with.]
2370	(c) Upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of withdrawal under Section
2371	67-1a-6.5, the board shall:
2372	(i) if the withdrawn area is located within the boundary of a single county, submit to
2373	the recorder of that county:
2374	(A) the original:
2375	(I) notice of an impending boundary action;
2376	(II) certificate of withdrawal; and
2377	(III) approved final local entity plat; and
2378	(B) if applicable, a certified copy of the resolution or notice referred to in Subsection
2379	(1)(b); or
2380	(ii) if the withdrawn area is located within the boundaries of more than a single county,
2381	submit:

(A) the original of the documents listed in Subsections (1)(c)(i)(A)(I), (II), and (III)
and, if applicable, a certified copy of the resolution or notice referred to in Subsection (1)(b) to
one of those counties; and

- (B) a certified copy of the documents listed in Subsection (1)(c)(i)(A)(I), (II), and (III) and a certified copy of the resolution or notice referred to in Subsection (1)(b) to each other county.
- (2) (a) Upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of the certificate of [boundary change] withdrawal under Section 67-1a-6.5 for a withdrawal under Section 17B-1-510, for an automatic withdrawal under Subsection 17B-1-502(3), or for the withdrawal of a municipality from a local district under Section 17B-2-505, the withdrawal shall be effective, subject to the conditions of the withdrawal resolution, if applicable.
- (b) An automatic withdrawal under Subsection 17B-1-502(3) shall be effective upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of [boundary change] withdrawal under Section 67-1a-6.5.
- (3) The local district may provide for the publication of any resolution approving or denying the withdrawal of an area in a newspaper of general circulation in the area proposed for withdrawal. In lieu of publishing the entire resolution, the local district may publish a notice of withdrawal or denial of withdrawal, containing:
 - (a) the name of the local district;
 - (b) a description of the area proposed for withdrawal;
- (c) a brief explanation of the grounds on which the board of trustees determined to approve or deny the withdrawal; and
- (d) the times and place where a copy of the resolution may be examined, which shall be at the place of business of the local district, identified in the notice, during regular business hours of the local district as described in the notice and for a period of at least 30 days after the publication of the notice.
- (4) Any sponsor of the petition or receiving entity may contest the board's decision to deny a withdrawal of an area from the local district by submitting a request, within 60 days after the resolution is adopted under Section 17B-1-510, to the board of trustees, suggesting terms or conditions to mitigate or eliminate the conditions upon which the board of trustees based its decision to deny the withdrawal.

2413	(5) Within 60 days after the request under Subsection (4) is submitted to the board of
2414	trustees, the board may consider the suggestions for mitigation and adopt a resolution
2415	approving or denying the request in the same manner as provided in Section 17B-1-510 with
2416	respect to the original resolution denying the withdrawal and file a notice of the action as
2417	provided in Subsection (1).
2418	(6) (a) Any person in interest may seek judicial review of:
2419	(i) the board of trustees' decision to withdraw an area from the local district;
2420	(ii) the terms and conditions of a withdrawal; or
2421	(iii) the board's decision to deny a withdrawal.
2422	(b) Judicial review under this Subsection (6) shall be initiated by filing an action in the
2423	district court in the county in which a majority of the area proposed to be withdrawn is located:
2424	(i) if the resolution approving or denying the withdrawal is published under Subsection
2425	(3), within 60 days after the publication or after the board of trustees' denial of the request
2426	under Subsection (5);
2427	(ii) if the resolution is not published pursuant to Subsection (3), within 60 days after
2428	the resolution approving or denying the withdrawal is adopted; or
2429	(iii) if a request is submitted to the board of trustees of a local district under Subsection
2430	(4), and the board adopts a resolution under Subsection (5), within 60 days after the board
2431	adopts a resolution under Subsection (5) unless the resolution is published under Subsection
2432	(3), in which event the action must be filed within 60 days after the publication.
2433	(c) A court in which an action is filed under this Subsection (6) may not overturn, in
2434	whole or in part, the board of trustees' decision to approve or reject the withdrawal unless:
2435	(i) the court finds the board of trustees' decision to be arbitrary or capricious; or
2436	(ii) the court finds that the board materially failed to follow the procedures set forth in
2437	this part.
2438	(d) A court may award costs and expenses of an action under this section, including
2439	reasonable attorney fees, to the prevailing party.
2440	(7) After the applicable contest period under Subsection (4) or (6), no person may
2441	contest the board of trustees' approval or denial of withdrawal for any cause.
2442	Section 49. Section 17B-1-1308 is amended to read:
2443	17B-1-1308. Dissolution resolution Limitations on dissolution Distribution of

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2444	remaining assets Notice of dissolution to lieutenant governor.
2445	(1) After the public hearing required under Section 17B-1-1306 and subject to
2446	Subsection (2), the administrative body may adopt a resolution approving dissolution of the
2447	local district.
2448	(2) A resolution under Subsection (1) may not be adopted unless:
2449	(a) any outstanding debt of the local district is:
2450	(i) satisfied and discharged in connection with the dissolution; or
2451	(ii) assumed by another governmental entity with the consent of all the holders of that
2452	debt and all the holders of other debts of the local district;
2453	(b) for a local district that has provided service during the preceding three years or
2454	undertaken planning or other activity preparatory to providing service:
2455	(i) another entity has committed to provide the same service to the area being served or
2456	proposed to be served by the local district; and
2457	(ii) all who are to receive the service have consented to the service being provided by
2458	the other entity; and
2459	(c) all outstanding contracts to which the local district is a party are resolved through
2460	mutual termination or the assignment of the district's rights, duties, privileges, and
2461	responsibilities to another entity with the consent of the other parties to the contract.
2462	(3) (a) (i) Any assets of the local district remaining after paying all debts and other
2463	obligations of the local district shall be used to pay costs associated with the dissolution
2464	process under this part.
2465	(ii) Any costs of the dissolution process remaining after exhausting the remaining
2466	assets of the local district under Subsection (3)(a)(i) shall be paid by the administrative body.
2467	(b) Any assets of the local district remaining after application of Subsection (3)(a) shall
2468	be distributed:
2469	(i) proportionately to the owners of real property within the dissolved local district if
2470	there is a readily identifiable connection between a financial burden borne by the real property
2471	owners in the district and the remaining assets; or

(ii) except as provided in Subsection (3)(b)(i), to each county, city, or town in which

the dissolved local district was located before dissolution in the same proportion that the land

area of the local district located within the unincorporated area of the county or within the city

24/5	or town bears to the total local district land area.
2476	(4) (a) [Within 30 days after adopting a resolution approving dissolution of the local
2477	district, the] The administrative body shall [file a notice]:
2478	(i) within 30 days after adopting a resolution approving dissolution, file with the
2479	lieutenant governor[-] a copy of a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in
2480	Section 67-1a-6.5, that meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.5(3); and
2481	[(b) The notice required under Subsection (4)(a) shall:]
2482	[(i) be accompanied by a copy of the board resolution approving the dissolution; and]
2483	[(ii) include a certification by the administrative body that all requirements for the
2484	dissolution have been complied with.]
2485	(ii) upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of dissolution under Section
2486	<u>67-1a-6.5:</u>
2487	(A) if the local district was located within the boundary of a single county, submit to
2488	the recorder of that county:
2489	(I) the original:
2490	(Aa) notice of an impending boundary action; and
2491	(Bb) certificate of dissolution; and
2492	(II) a certified copy of the resolution adopted under Subsection (1); or
2493	(B) if the local district was located within the boundaries of more than a single county:
2494	(I) submit to the recorder of one of those counties:
2495	(Aa) the original of the documents listed in Subsections (4)(a)(ii)(A)(I)(Aa) and (Bb);
2496	<u>and</u>
2497	(Bb) a certified copy of the resolution adopted under Subsection (1); and
2498	(II) submit to the recorder of each other county:
2499	(Aa) a certified copy of the documents listed in Subsection (4)(a)(ii)(A)(I)(Aa) and
2500	(Bb); and
2501	(Bb) a certified copy of the resolution adopted under Subsection (1).
2502	[(c)] (b) Upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of the certificate of dissolution under
2503	Section 67-1a-6.5, the local district is dissolved.
2504	Section 50. Section 17C-1-201 is amended to read:
2505	17C-1-201. Creation of agency Notice to lieutenant governor.

2506	(1) [Subject to Subsection (2), a] \underline{A} community may, by ordinance adopted by its
2507	legislative body, [create] approve the creation of a community development and renewal
2508	agency.
2509	(2) (a) [Within ten days after adopting an ordinance under Subsection (1), the] The
2510	community legislative body shall:
2511	(i) within ten days after adopting an ordinance under Subsection (1), file with the
2512	lieutenant governor [a notice of the adoption of the ordinance, with a copy of the ordinance.]:
2513	(A) a copy of a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in Section
2514	67-1a-6.5, that meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.5(3); and
2515	(B) a copy of an approved final local entity plat, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5; and
2516	(ii) upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of creation under Section
2517	67-1a-6.5, submit to the recorder of the county in which the agency is located:
2518	(A) the original notice of an impending boundary action;
2519	(B) the original certificate of creation;
2520	(C) the original approved final local entity plat; and
2521	(D) a certified copy of the ordinance approving the creation of the community
2522	development and renewal agency.
2523	(b) Upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of the certificate of creation under Section
2524	67-1a-6.5, the agency is created and incorporated.
2525	(c) Until the documents listed in Subsection (2)(a)(ii) are recorded in the office of the
2526	recorder of the county in which the property is located, an agency may not receive or spend tax
2527	increment funds.
2528	(3) (a) An agency may approve a change in its name, whether to indicate it is a
2529	community development and renewal agency or otherwise, by:
2530	(i) adopting a resolution [setting forth its new] approving a name change; and
2531	(ii) filing [the resolution] with the lieutenant governor[, the State Tax Commission, the
2532	State Board of Education, and the assessor of the county in which the agency is located.] a copy
2533	of a notice of an impending name change, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.7, that meets the
2534	requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.7(3).
2535	(b) (i) Upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of name change under
2536	Section 67-1a-6.7, the agency shall file with the recorder of the county in which the agency is

2537	located:
2538	(A) the original notice of an impending name change;
2539	(B) the original certificate of name change; and
2540	(c) a certified copy of the resolution approving a name change.
2541	(ii) Until the documents listed in Subsection (3)(b)(i) are recorded in the office of the
2542	county recorder, the agency may not operate under the new name.
2543	Section 51. Section 17C-1-701 is amended to read:
2544	17C-1-701. Dissolution by ordinance Restrictions Filing copy of ordinance
2545	Agency records Dissolution expenses.
2546	(1) (a) Subject to Subsection (1)(b), the legislative body of the community that created
2547	an agency may, by ordinance, [deactivate and dissolve] approve the deactivation and
2548	dissolution of the agency.
2549	(b) An ordinance [dissolving] under Subsection (1)(a) approving the deactivation and
2550	dissolution of an agency may not be adopted unless the agency has no outstanding bonded
2551	indebtedness, other unpaid loans, indebtedness, or advances, and no legally binding contractual
2552	obligations with persons or entities other than the community.
2553	(2) (a) [Within ten days after adopting an ordinance under Subsection (1), the] The
2554	community legislative body shall [file a certified copy of the ordinance]:
2555	(i) within ten days after adopting an ordinance under Subsection (1), file with the
2556	lieutenant governor[-] a copy of a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in
2557	Section 67-1a-6.5, that meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.5(3); and
2558	(ii) upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of dissolution under Section
2559	67-1a-6.5, submit to the recorder of the county in which the agency is located:
2560	(A) the original notice of an impending boundary action;
2561	(B) the original certificate of dissolution; and
2562	(C) a certified copy of the ordinance approving the deactivation and dissolution of the
2563	agency.
2564	(b) Upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of the certificate of dissolution under
2565	Section 67-1a-6.5, the agency is dissolved.
2566	(c) Within ten days after receiving the certificate of dissolution from the lieutenant
2567	governor under Section 67-1a-6.5, the community legislative body shall send a copy of the

2568	certificate of dissolution and the ordinance adopted under Subsection (1) to the State Board of
2569	Education, and each taxing entity.
2570	(d) The community legislative body shall publish a notice of dissolution in a
2571	newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the dissolved agency is located.
2572	(3) The books, documents, records, papers, and seal of each dissolved agency shall be
2573	deposited for safekeeping and reference with the recorder of the community that dissolved the
2574	agency.
2575	(4) The agency shall pay all expenses of the deactivation and dissolution.
2576	Section 52. Section 17D-1-204 is amended to read:
2577	17D-1-204. Prerequisites for adopting a resolution or ordinance creating a special
2578	service district.
2579	Before the legislative body of a county or municipality may adopt a resolution or
2580	ordinance under Section 17D-1-208 [creating] approving the creation of a special service
2581	district:
2582	(1) the clerk or recorder, as the case may be, of the county or municipality shall give
2583	written notice as provided in Section 17D-1-205;
2584	(2) the legislative body shall hold a public hearing, as provided in Section 17D-1-207;
2585	and
2586	(3) the period for filing protests under Section 17D-1-206 shall have passed without
2587	adequate protests having been filed.
2588	Section 53. Section 17D-1-208 is amended to read:
2589	17D-1-208. Adoption of a resolution or ordinance creating a special service
2590	district.
2591	(1) Subject to the provisions of and as provided in this part, the legislative body of a
2592	county or municipality may adopt a resolution or ordinance [creating] approving the creation of
2593	a special service district.
2594	(2) (a) Subject to Subsection (2)(b), a resolution or ordinance adopted by a legislative
2595	body under Subsection (1) may contain changes from the proposal as set forth in a resolution
2596	under Subsection 17D-1-203(1)(a) or a petition under Subsection 17D-1-203(1)(b), including
2597	changes in:
2598	(i) the boundary of the special service district; and

2599	(ii) the services to be provided by the special service district.
2600	(b) The legislative body of a county or municipality may not adopt a resolution or
2601	ordinance under Subsection (1) that [ereates] approves the creation of a special service district
2602	with a boundary that includes more area than is included in, or that authorizes the special
2603	service district to provide a service not proposed in, a resolution under Subsection
2604	17D-1-203(1)(a) or a petition under Subsection 17D-1-203(1)(b), unless the requirements of
2605	Sections 17D-1-205, 17D-1-206, and 17D-1-207 are met with respect to the additional area or
2606	service, as the case may be.
2607	Section 54. Section 17D-1-209 is amended to read:
2608	17D-1-209. Notice to lieutenant governor.
2609	(1) [Within 30 days after adopting a resolution or ordinance under Subsection
2610	17D-1-208(1) creating a special service district, the The legislative body adopting [the] a
2611	resolution or ordinance [shall file a notice] approving the creation of a special service district
2612	shall:
2613	(a) within 30 days after adopting the resolution or ordinance, file with the lieutenant
2614	governor[-]:
2615	[(2) Each notice under Subsection (1) shall:]
2616	[(a) be accompanied by:]
2617	[(i) a copy of the resolution or ordinance creating the special service district; and]
2618	[(ii) a map showing the boundaries of the special service district, prepared and certified
2619	by a licensed surveyor and filed with the county surveyor in accordance with Section 17-23-17;
2620	and]
2621	[(b) include the legislative body's certification that all requirements for the creation of
2622	the special service district have been met.]
2623	(i) a copy of a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5.
2624	that meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.5(3); and
2625	(ii) a copy of an approved final local entity plat, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5; and
2626	(b) upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of incorporation under
2627	Section 67-1a-6.5, submit to the recorder of the county in which the special service district is
2628	located:
2629	(i) the original notice of an impending boundary action;

2630	(ii) the original certificate of incorporation;
2631	(iii) the original approved final local entity plat; and
2632	(iv) a certified copy of the resolution or ordinance approving the creation of the special
2633	service district.
2634	[(3)] (2) (a) Upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of creation under
2635	Section 67-1a-6.5, the special service district is created and incorporated.
2636	(b) (i) The effective date of a special service district's incorporation for purposes of
2637	assessing property within the special service district is governed by Section 59-2-305.5.
2638	(ii) Until the documents listed in Subsection (1)(b) are recorded in the office of the
2639	recorder of the county in which the property is located:
2640	(A) the county, city, or town that created the special service district may not levy or
2641	collect a property tax for special service district purposes on property within the special service
2642	district; and
2643	(B) the special service district may not:
2644	(I) levy or collect an assessment on property within the special service district; or
2645	(II) charge or collect a fee for service provided to property within the special service
2646	district.
2647	Section 55. Section 17D-1-403 is amended to read:
2648	17D-1-403. Notice of annexation to lieutenant governor Lieutenant governor
2649	certification.
2650	(1) If a county or municipal legislative body adopts a resolution approving the
2651	annexation of an area to an existing special service district, the legislative body shall[-]:
2652	(a) within 30 days after adopting the resolution, file [a notice] with the lieutenant
2653	governor[-]:
2654	[(2) Each notice under Subsection (1) shall:]
2655	[(a) be accompanied by:]
2656	[(i) a copy of the resolution adopted by the legislative body approving the annexation;
2657	and]
2658	[(ii) a map showing the additional area to be annexed to the special service district,
2659	prepared and certified by a licensed surveyor and filed with the county surveyor in accordance
2660	with Section 17-23-17; and

2661	(b) include the legislative body's certification that all requirements for the annexation	
2662	of the additional area have been met.]	
2663	(i) a copy of a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5,	
2664	that meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.5(3); and	
2665	(ii) a copy of an approved final local entity plat, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5; and	
2666	(b) upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of annexation under Section	
2667	67-1a-6.5, submit to the recorder of the county in which the special service district is located:	
2668	(i) the original notice of an impending boundary action;	
2669	(ii) the original certificate of annexation;	
2670	(iii) the original approved final local entity plat; and	
2671	(iv) a certified copy of the resolution approving the annexation.	
2672	(3) (a) Upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of the certificate of [boundary change]	
2673	annexation under Section 67-1a-6.5, the additional area that is the subject of the legislative	
2674	body's resolution is annexed to the special service district.	
2675	(b) (i) The effective date of an annexation under this section for purposes of assessing	
2676	property within the annexed area is governed by Section 59-2-305.5.	
2677	(ii) Until the documents listed in Subsection (1)(b) are recorded in the office of the	
2678	recorder of the county in which the property is located:	
2679	(A) the county, city, or town that created the special service district may not levy or	
2680	collect a property tax for special service district purposes on property within the annexed area;	
2681	<u>and</u>	
2682	(B) the special service district may not:	
2683	(I) levy or collect an assessment on property within the annexed area; or	
2684	(II) charge or collect a fee for service provided to property within the annexed area.	
2685	(iii) Subsection (3)(b)(ii)(B)(II):	
2686	(A) may not be construed to limit a special service district's ability before annexation to	
2687	charge and collect a fee for service provided to property that is outside the special service	
2688	district's boundary; and	
2689	(B) does not apply until 60 days after the effective date, under Subsection (3)(a), of the	
2690	special service district's annexation, with respect to a fee that the special service district was	
2691	charging for service provided to property within the annexed area immediately before the area	

2692	was annexed to the special service district.
2693	Section 56. Section 17D-1-603 is amended to read:
2694	17D-1-603. Notice of adoption of resolution approving a withdrawal or
2695	dissolution Lieutenant governor certificate Effective date of withdrawal or
2696	dissolution.
2697	(1) [Within 30 days after adopting] If a county or municipal legislative body adopts a
2698	resolution approving the withdrawal of an area from a special service district or the dissolution
2699	of a special service district, the county or municipal legislative body, as the case may be, shall
2700	[file a notice]:
2701	(a) within 30 days after adopting the resolution, file with the lieutenant governor[-]:
2702	[(2) Each notice under Subsection (1) shall:]
2703	[(a) be accompanied by:]
2704	[(i) a copy of the resolution approving the withdrawal or dissolution; and]
2705	[(ii) in the case of a withdrawal, a map showing the area to be withdrawn, prepared and
2706	certified by a licensed surveyor and filed with the county surveyor in accordance with Section
2707	17-23-17; and]
2708	[(b) include the legislative body's certification that all requirements for the withdrawal
2709	or dissolution have been met.]
2710	(i) a copy of a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5.
2711	that meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.5(3); and
2712	(ii) in the case of a withdrawal, a copy of an approved final local entity plat, as defined
2713	in Section 67-1a-6.5; and
2714	(b) upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of withdrawal or dissolution.
2715	as the case may be, under Section 67-1a-6.5, submit to the recorder of the county in which the
2716	special service district is located:
2717	(i) the original notice of an impending boundary action;
2718	(ii) the original certificate of withdrawal or dissolution, as the case may be;
2719	(iii) in the case of a withdrawal, the original approved final local entity plat; and
2720	(iv) a certified copy of the resolution approving the withdrawal or dissolution.
2721	[(3)] (2) (a) Upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of the certificate of withdrawal
2722	under Section 67-1a-6.5, the area to be withdrawn that is the subject of the legislative body's

- resolution is withdrawn from the special service district.

 (b) Upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of the certificate of dissolution under

 Section 67-1a-6.5, the special service district is dissolved.

 Section 57. Section 17D-3-203 is amended to read:
 - 17D-3-203. Considerations in determining whether to approve conservation district creation, consolidation, division, or dissolution -- Denial or approval -- Certification to lieutenant governor -- Prohibition against considering similar creation, consolidation, division, or dissolution if previously denied.
 - (1) In determining whether to approve the creation of a conservation district, the consolidation of existing conservation districts, or the division or dissolution of an existing conservation district, the commission shall consider:
 - (a) the demonstrated necessity and administrative practicality of the creation, consolidation, division, or dissolution;
 - (b) the topography of and soil compositions and prevailing land use practices within the area of the proposed or existing conservation district or districts;
 - (c) the hydrologic unit code of the watershed in which the area of the proposed or existing conservation district or districts is located;
 - (d) the relationship of the area of the proposed or existing conservation district or districts to existing watersheds and agricultural regions; and
 - (e) the sentiment expressed by persons within the area of the proposed or existing conservation district or districts with respect to the proposed creation, consolidation, division, or dissolution.
 - (2) After holding a public hearing as required under Subsection 17D-3-201(2)(b) and considering the factors listed in Subsection (1), the commission shall:
 - (a) (i) [deny] disapprove the creation of a conservation district, the consolidation of existing conservation districts, or the division or dissolution of an existing conservation district, as the case may be, if the commission determines that creation, consolidation, division, or dissolution is not necessary or administratively practical; or
 - (ii) approve the creation of a conservation district, the consolidation of existing conservation districts, or the division or dissolution of an existing conservation district, as the case may be, if the commission determines that creation, consolidation, division, or dissolution

2/34	is necessary and administratively practical, and
2755	(b) set forth in writing the reasons for the commission's action.
2756	(3) (a) [(i)] If the commission approves the creation, consolidation, division, or
2757	dissolution, the commission shall [certify its action and]:
2758	(i) deliver [a copy of the certification] to the lieutenant governor[-]:
2759	[(ii) Each certification under Subsection (3)(a)(i) of a creation, consolidation, or
2760	division shall include an accurate legal description of the conservation district or districts as it
2761	or they are proposed to exist as a result of the creation, consolidation, or division.]
2762	(A) a copy of a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in Section
2763	67-1a-6.5, that meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.5(3); and
2764	(B) except in the case of a dissolution, a copy of an approved final local entity plat, as
2765	defined in Section 67-1a-6.5; and
2766	(ii) upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of boundary action under
2767	Section 67-1a-6.5:
2768	(A) if the conservation district is or, in the case of dissolution, was located within the
2769	boundary of a single county, submit to the recorder of that county:
2770	(I) the original:
2771	(Aa) notice of an impending boundary action;
2772	(Bb) certificate of boundary action; and
2773	(Cc) except in the case of dissolution, approved final local entity plat; and
2774	(II) a certified copy of the document that the commission adopted approving the
2775	boundary action; or
2776	(B) if the conservation district is or, in the case of a dissolution, was located within the
2777	boundaries of more than a single county:
2778	(I) submit to the recorder of one of those counties:
2779	(Aa) the original of the documents listed in Subsections (3)(a)(ii)(A)(I)(Aa), (Bb), and
2780	(Cc); and
2781	(Bb) a certified copy of the document that the commission adopted approving the
2782	boundary action; and
2783	(II) submit to the recorder of each other county:
2784	(Aa) a certified copy of the documents listed in Subsection (3)(a)(ii)(A)(I)(Aa), (Bb),

2785	and (Cc); and
2786	(Bb) a certified copy of the document that the commission adopted approving the
2787	boundary action.
2788	(b) Upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of the certificate of creation, consolidation,
2789	division, or dissolution under Section 67-1a-6.5, as the case may be, the conservation district is
2790	created and incorporated, consolidated, divided, or dissolved, respectively.
2791	(4) If the commission [denies] disapproves a creation, consolidation, division, or
2792	dissolution under Subsection (2)(a)(i), the commission may not, for six months following the
2793	denial, consider a similar proposal to create, divide, or dissolve the conservation district or to
2794	consolidate the conservation districts, as the case may be.
2795	Section 58. Section 53A-2-101.5 is amended to read:
2796	53A-2-101.5. Notice of school district boundary changes including creation,
2797	consolidation, division, or dissolution.
2798	(1) [Within 30 days after the creation, consolidation, division, or dissolution of a
2799	school district, or any other change affecting the boundary of a new or existing school district,
2800	the] The county legislative body shall [file a written notice of the action]:
2801	(a) within 30 days after the creation, consolidation, division, or dissolution of a school
2802	district, file with the lieutenant governor[-]:
2803	[(2) The notice under Subsection (1) shall be accompanied by an accurate map or plat
2804	showing the boundaries of the affected school districts, prepared and certified by a local
2805	surveyor and filed with the county surveyor in accordance with Section 17-23-17.]
2806	(i) a copy of a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5.
2807	that meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.5(3); and
2808	(ii) except in the case of a dissolution, a copy of an approved final local entity plat, as
2809	defined in Section 67-1a-6.5; and
2810	(b) upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of boundary action under
2811	Section 67-1a-6.5:
2812	(i) if the school district is or, in the case of dissolution, was located within the
2813	boundary of a single county, submit to the recorder of that county:
2814	(A) the original:
2815	(I) notice of an impending boundary action;

2816	(II) certificate of boundary action; and
2817	(III) except in the case of dissolution, approved final local entity plat; and
2818	(B) if applicable, a certified copy of the resolution approving the boundary action; or
2819	(ii) if the school district is or, in the case of a dissolution, was located within the
2820	boundaries of more than a single county:
2821	(A) submit to the recorder of one of those counties:
2822	(I) the original of the documents listed in Subsections (1)(b)(i)(A)(I), (II), and (III); and
2823	(II) if applicable, a certified copy of the resolution approving the boundary action; and
2824	(B) submit to the recorder of each other county:
2825	(I) a certified copy of the documents listed in Subsection (1)(b)(i)(A)(I), (II), and (III);
2826	<u>and</u>
2827	(II) if applicable, a certified copy of the resolution approving the boundary action.
2828	[(3)] (2) (a) Upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of the certificate under Section
2829	67-1a-6.5, the creation, consolidation, division, dissolution, or other change affecting the
2830	boundary of a new or existing school district that was the subject of the action has legal effect.
2831	(b) (i) As used in this Subsection (2)(b), "affected area" means:
2832	(A) in the case of the creation of a school district, the area within the school district's
2833	boundary;
2834	(B) in the case of the consolidation of multiple school districts, the area within the
2835	boundary of each school district that is consolidated into another school district;
2836	(C) in the case of the division of a school district, the area within the boundary of the
2837	school district created by the division; and
2838	(D) in the case of an addition to an existing school district, the area added to the school
2839	district.
2840	(ii) The effective date of a boundary action, as defined in Section 17-23-20, for
2841	purposes of assessing property within the school district is governed by Section 59-2-305.5.
2842	(iii) Until the documents listed in Subsection (1)(b) are recorded in the office of the
2843	recorder of each county in which the property is located, a school district may not levy or
2844	collect a property tax on property within the affected area.
2845	Section 59. Section 53A-2-118 is amended to read:
2846	53A-2-118. Creation of new school district Initiation of process Procedures

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- 2848 (1) A new school district may be created from one or more existing school districts, as provided in this section.
 - (2) (a) The process to create a new school district may be initiated:
- 2851 (i) through a citizens' initiative petition;
 - (ii) at the request of the board of the existing district or districts to be affected by the creation of the new district; or
 - (iii) at the request of a city within the boundaries of the school district or at the request of interlocal agreement participants, pursuant to Section 53A-2-118.1.
 - (b) (i) Each petition submitted under Subsection (2)(a)(i) shall be signed by qualified electors residing within the geographical boundaries of the proposed new school district equal in number to at least 15% of the number of electors in the area who voted for the office of governor at the last regular general election.
 - (ii) Each request or petition submitted under Subsection (2)(a) shall:
 - (A) be filed with the clerk of each county in which any part of the proposed new school district is located;
 - (B) indicate the typed or printed name and current residence address of each governing board member making a request, or registered voter signing a petition, as the case may be;
 - (C) describe the proposed new school district boundaries; and
 - (D) designate up to five signers of the petition or request as sponsors, one of whom shall be designated as the contact sponsor, with the mailing address and telephone number of each.
 - (c) A signer of a petition under Subsection (2)(a)(i) may withdraw or, once withdrawn, reinstate the signer's signature at any time before the filing of the petition by filing a written withdrawal or reinstatement with the county clerk.
 - (d) The process under Subsection (2)(a)(i) may only be initiated once during any four-year period.
 - (e) A new district may not be formed pursuant to Subsection (2)(a) if the student population of the proposed new district is less than 3,000 or the existing district's student population would be less than 3,000 because of the creation of the new school district.
 - (f) Within 45 days after the filing of a petition under Subsection (2)(a)(i) or five

- business days after the filing of a request under Subsection (2)(a)(ii) or (iii), the clerk of each county with which a request or petition is filed shall:
 - (i) determine whether the request or petition complies with Subsections (2)(a), (b), (d), and (e), as applicable; and
 - (ii) (A) if the county clerk determines that the request or petition complies with the applicable requirements:
 - (I) certify the request or petition and deliver the certified request or petition to the county legislative body; and
 - (II) mail or deliver written notification of the certification to the contact sponsor; or
 - (B) if the county clerk determines that the request or petition fails to comply with any of the applicable requirements, reject the request or petition and notify the contact sponsor in writing of the rejection and reasons for the rejection.
 - (g) If the county clerk fails to certify or reject a request or petition within the time specified in Subsection (2)(f), the request or petition shall be considered to be certified.
 - (h) (i) If the county clerk rejects a request or petition, the request or petition may be amended to correct the deficiencies for which it was rejected and then refiled.
 - (ii) Subsection (2)(d) does not apply to a request or petition that is amended and refiled after having been rejected by a county clerk.
 - (i) If a county legislative body receives a request from a school board under Subsection (2)(a)(ii) or a petition under Subsection (2)(a)(i) which is certified by the county clerk on or before December 1:
 - (i) the county legislative body shall appoint an ad hoc advisory committee, as provided by Subsection (3), on or before January 1;
 - (ii) the ad hoc advisory committee shall submit its report and recommendations to the county legislative body, as provided by Subsection (3), on or before July 1; and
 - (iii) if the legislative body of each county with which a request or petition is filed approves a proposal to create a new district, the proposal shall be submitted to the respective county clerk to be voted on by the electors of each existing district at the regular general or municipal general election held in November.
 - (3) (a) The legislative body of each county with which a request or petition is filed shall appoint an ad hoc advisory committee to review and make recommendations on a request

2909	for the creation of a new school district submitted under Subsection (2)(a)(i) or (ii).
2910	(b) The advisory committee shall:
2911	(i) seek input from:
2912	(A) those requesting the creation of the new school district;
2913	(B) the school board and school personnel of each existing school district;
2914	(C) those citizens residing within the geographical boundaries of each existing school
2915	district;
2916	(D) the State Board of Education; and
2917	(E) other interested parties;
2918	(ii) review data and gather information on at least:
2919	(A) the financial viability of the proposed new school district;
2920	(B) the proposal's financial impact on each existing school district;
2921	(C) the exact placement of school district boundaries; and
2922	(D) the positive and negative effects of creating a new school district and whether the
2923	positive effects outweigh the negative if a new school district were to be created; and
2924	(iii) make a report to the county legislative body in a public meeting on the committee's
2925	activities, together with a recommendation on whether to create a new school district.
2926	(4) For a request or petition submitted under Subsection (2)(a)(i) or (2)(a)(ii):
2927	(a) The county legislative body shall provide for a 45-day public comment period on
2928	the report and recommendation to begin on the day the report is given under Subsection
2929	(3)(b)(iii).
2930	(b) Within 14 days after the end of the comment period, the legislative body of each
2931	county with which a request or petition is filed shall vote on the creation of the proposed new
2932	school district.
2933	(c) The proposal is approved if a majority of the members of the legislative body of
2934	each county with which a request or petition is filed votes in favor of the proposal.
2935	(d) If the proposal is approved, the legislative body of each county with which a
2936	request or petition is filed shall submit the proposal to the county clerk to be voted on:
2937	(i) by the legal voters of each existing school district;
2938	(ii) in accordance with the procedures and requirements applicable to a regular general
2939	election under Title 20A, Election Code; and

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2940 (iii) at the next regular general election or municipal general election, whichever is 2941 first. 2942 (e) Creation of the new school district shall occur if a majority of the electors within 2943 both the proposed school district and each remaining school district voting on the proposal vote 2944 in favor of the creation of the new district. 2945 (f) Each county legislative body shall [provide notice of the action as required in] 2946 comply with the requirements of Section 53A-2-101.5. (g) If a proposal submitted under Subsection (2)(a)(i) or (ii) to create a new district is 2947 2948 approved by the electors, the existing district's documented costs to study and implement the 2949 proposal shall be reimbursed by the new district. 2950 (5) (a) If a proposal submitted under Subsection (2)(a)(iii) is certified under Subsection 2951 (2)(f) or (g), the legislative body of each county in which part of the proposed new school 2952 district is located shall submit the proposal to the respective clerk of each county to be voted 2953 on: 2954 (i) by the legal voters residing within the proposed new school district boundaries; 2955 (ii) in accordance with the procedures and requirements applicable to a regular general 2956 election under Title 20A, Election Code; and 2957 (iii) at the next regular general election or municipal general election, whichever is 2958 first. 2959 (b) (i) If a majority of the legal voters within the proposed new school district 2960 boundaries voting on the proposal at an election under Subsection (5)(a) vote in favor of the 2961 creation of the new district: 2962 (A) each county legislative body shall, within 60 days after the canvass date, file with 2963 the lieutenant governor the written notice, with the accompanying map or plat, required under 2964 comply with the requirements of Section 53A-2-101.5; and (B) upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of the certificate under Section 67-1a-6.5. 2965 2966 the new district is created.

(ii) Notwithstanding the creation of a new district as provided in Subsection

(A) a new school district may not begin to provide educational services to the area

within the new district until July 1 of the second calendar year following the creation election

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- 2972 (B) a remaining district may not begin to provide educational services to the area within the remaining district until the time specified in Subsection (5)(b)(ii)(A); and
- (C) each existing district shall continue, until the time specified in Subsection (5)(b)(ii)(A), to provide educational services within the entire area covered by the existing district.
 - Section 60. Section **53A-2-118.1** is amended to read:

53A-2-118.1. Option for school district creation.

- (1) (a) After conducting a feasibility study, a city with a population of at least 50,000, as determined by the lieutenant governor using the process described in Subsection [10-2-302(2)] 67-1a-2(3), may by majority vote of the legislative body, submit for voter approval a measure to create a new school district with boundaries contiguous with that city's boundaries, in accordance with Section 53A-2-118.
- (b) (i) The determination of all matters relating to the scope, adequacy, and other aspects of a feasibility study under Subsection (1)(a) is within the exclusive discretion of the city's legislative body.
- (ii) An inadequacy of a feasibility study under Subsection (1)(a) may not be the basis of a legal action or other challenge to:
 - (A) an election for voter approval of the creation of a new school district; or
 - (B) the creation of the new school district.
- (2) (a) By majority vote of the legislative body, a city of any class, a town, or a county, may, together with one or more other cities, towns, or the county enter into an interlocal agreement, in accordance with Title 11, Chapter 13, Interlocal Cooperation Act, for the purpose of submitting for voter approval a measure to create a new school district.
- (b) (i) In accordance with Section 53A-2-118, interlocal agreement participants under Subsection (2)(a) may submit a proposal for voter approval if:
- (A) the interlocal agreement participants conduct a feasibility study prior to submitting the proposal to the county;
- 2999 (B) the combined population within the proposed new school district boundaries is at least 50,000;
- 3001 (C) the new school district boundaries:

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- (II) do not completely surround or otherwise completely geographically isolate a portion of an existing school district that is not part of the proposed new school district from the remaining part of that existing school district, except as provided in Subsection (2)(d)(iii);
- (III) include the entire boundaries of each participant city or town, except as provided in Subsection (2)(d)(ii); and
 - (IV) subject to Subsection (2)(b)(ii), do not cross county lines; and
- (D) the combined population within the proposed new school district of interlocal agreement participants that have entered into an interlocal agreement proposing to create a new school district is at least 80% of the total population of the proposed new school district.
- (ii) The determination of all matters relating to the scope, adequacy, and other aspects of a feasibility study under Subsection (2)(b)(i)(A), including whether to conduct a new feasibility study or revise a previous feasibility study due to a change in the proposed new school district boundaries, is within the exclusive discretion of the legislative bodies of the interlocal agreement participants that enter into an interlocal agreement to submit for voter approval a measure to create a new school district.
- (iii) An inadequacy of a feasibility study under Subsection (2)(b)(i)(A) may not be the basis of a legal action or other challenge to:
 - (A) an election for voter approval of the creation of a new school district; or
 - (B) the creation of the new school district.
- (iv) For purposes of determining whether the boundaries of a proposed new school district cross county lines under Subsection (2)(b)(i)(C)(IV):
- (A) a municipality located in more than one county and entirely within the boundaries of a single school district is considered to be entirely within the same county as other participants in an interlocal agreement under Subsection (2)(a) if more of the municipality's land area and population is located in that same county than outside the county; and
- (B) a municipality located in more than one county that participates in an interlocal agreement under Subsection (2)(a) with respect to some but not all of the area within the municipality's boundaries on the basis of the exception stated in Subsection (2)(d)(ii)(B) may not be considered to cross county lines.
 - (c) (i) A county may only participate in an interlocal agreement under this Subsection

3033	(2) for the unincorporated areas of the county.
3034	(ii) Boundaries of a new school district created under this section may include:
3035	(A) a portion of one or more existing school districts; and
3036	(B) a portion of the unincorporated area of a county, including a portion of a township.
3037	(d) (i) As used in this Subsection (2)(d):
3038	(A) "Isolated area" means an area that:
3039	(I) is entirely within the boundaries of a municipality that, except for that area, is
3040	entirely within a school district different than the school district in which the area is located;
3041	and
3042	(II) would, because of the creation of a new school district from the existing district in
3043	which the area is located, become completely geographically isolated.
3044	(B) "Municipality's school district" means the school district that includes all of the
3045	municipality in which the isolated area is located except the isolated area.
3046	(ii) Notwithstanding Subsection (2)(b)(i)(C)(III), a municipality may be a participant in
3047	an interlocal agreement under Subsection (2)(a) with respect to some but not all of the area
3048	within the municipality's boundaries if:
3049	(A) the portion of the municipality proposed to be included in the new school district
3050	would, if not included, become an isolated area upon the creation of the new school district; or
3051	(B) (I) the portion of the municipality proposed to be included in the new school
3052	district is within the boundaries of the same school district that includes the other interlocal
3053	agreement participants; and
3054	(II) the portion of the municipality proposed to be excluded from the new school
3055	district is within the boundaries of a school district other than the school district that includes
3056	the other interlocal agreement participants.
3057	(iii) (A) Notwithstanding Subsection (2)(b)(i)(C)(II), a proposal to create a new school
3058	district may be submitted for voter approval pursuant to an interlocal agreement under
3059	Subsection (2)(a), even though the new school district boundaries would create an isolated
3060	area, if:
3061	(I) the potential isolated area is contiguous to one or more of the interlocal agreement
3062	participants;

(II) the interlocal participants submit a written request to the municipality in which the

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3064	potential isolated area is located, requesting the municipality to enter into an interlocal
3065	agreement under Subsection (2)(a) that proposes to submit for voter approval a measure to
3066	create a new school district that includes the potential isolated area; and
3067	(III) 90 days after a request under Subsection (2)(d)(iii)(A)(II) is submitted, the
3068	municipality has not entered into an interlocal agreement as requested in the request.
3069	(B) Each municipality receiving a request under Subsection (2)(d)(iii)(A)(II) shall hold
3070	one or more public hearings to allow input from the public and affected school districts
3071	regarding whether or not the municipality should enter into an interlocal agreement with
3072	respect to the potential isolated area.
3073	(C) (I) This Subsection (2)(d)(iii)(C) applies if:
3074	(Aa) a new school district is created under this section after a measure is submitted to
3075	voters based on the authority of Subsection (2)(d)(iii)(A); and
3076	(Bb) the creation of the new school district results in an isolated area.
3077	(II) The isolated area shall, on July 1 of the second calendar year following the creation
3078	election date, become part of the municipality's school district.
3079	(III) Unless the isolated area is the only remaining part of the existing district, the
3080	process described in Subsection (4) shall be modified to:
3081	(Aa) include a third transition team, appointed by the school district board of the
3082	municipality's school district, to represent that school district;
3083	(Bb) require allocation of the existing district's property among the new district, the
3084	remaining district, and the municipality's school district;
3085	(Cc) require each of the three transition teams to appoint one member to the
3086	three-member arbitration panel, if an arbitration panel is established; and
3087	(Dd) require the municipality's school district to bear 1/3 of the costs of arbitration.
3088	(IV) The existing district shall continue to provide educational services to the isolated
3089	area until July 1 of the second calendar year following the creation election date.
3090	(3) (a) If a proposal under this section is approved by voters:
3091	(i) (A) subject to Subsection (3)(e):

(I) each member of the board of the existing district who resides within the boundary of

(II) each member of the board of the existing district who resides within the boundary

the new school district shall serve as an initial member of the new district board; and

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- 3095 of the remaining school district shall serve as an initial member of the remaining district board; 3096 and 3097 (B) an election shall be held on the June special election date, as provided in Section 3098 20A-1-204, in the year following the creation election date, to elect: 3099 (I) all other members to the board of the new school district; and 3100 (II) all other members to the board of the remaining district; 3101 (ii) school district property shall be divided between the existing school district and the 3102 new school district as provided in Subsection (4): 3103 (iii) transferred employees shall be treated in accordance with Sections 53A-2-116 and 3104 53A-2-122; 3105 (iv) (A) an individual residing within the boundaries of a new school district at the 3106 time the new school district is created may, for six school years after the creation of the new 3107 school district, elect to enroll in a secondary school located outside the boundaries of the new 3108 school district if: 3109 (I) the individual resides within the boundaries of that secondary school as of the day 3110 before the new school district is created; and 3111 (II) the individual would have been eligible to enroll in that secondary school had the 3112 new school district not been created; and 3113 (B) the school district in which the secondary school is located shall provide 3114 educational services, including, if provided before the creation of the new school district, 3115 busing, to each individual making an election under Subsection (3)(a)(iv)(A) for each school 3116 year for which the individual makes the election; and 3117 (v) within one year after the new district begins providing educational services, the 3118 superintendent of each remaining district affected and the superintendent of the new district 3119 shall meet, together with the Superintendent of Public Instruction, to determine if further 3120 boundary changes should be proposed in accordance with Section 53A-2-104. 3121 (b) Each member of a school district board of a new district and remaining district 3122 under Subsection (3)(a)(i) shall take office on July 15 immediately following the election under
 - district board of the new district and remaining district shall be staggered and adjusted by the

(c) (i) Subject to Subsection (3)(c)(ii), the terms of the initial members of the school

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- (A) the school district board members' successors are elected at a future regular general election; and
- (B) the terms of their successors coincide with the schedule of terms for school district board members established in Section 20A-14-202.
- (ii) (A) The term of a member under Subsection (3)(a)(i) may not be less than 17 months.
- (B) In order to comply with the requirements of Subsection (3)(c)(i), the term of a member elected to a school district board at an election under Subsection (3)(a)(i)(B) held in an even-numbered year may exceed four years but may not exceed five years.
- (d) (i) The term of each member of the school district board of the existing district terminates on July 1 of the second year after the creation election date, regardless of when the term would otherwise have terminated.
- (ii) Notwithstanding the existence of a board for the new district and a board for the remaining district under Subsection (3)(a)(i), the board of the existing district shall continue, until the time specified in Subsection 53A-2-118(5)(b)(ii)(A), to function and exercise authority as a board to the extent necessary to continue to provide educational services to the entire existing district.
- (iii) A person may simultaneously serve as a member of the board of an existing district and a member of the board of:
 - (A) a new district; or
 - (B) a remaining district.
- (e) If two or more members of an existing school district board reside within the same local school board district, as established by the county legislative body under Section 20A-14-201, of the new district or remaining district:
- (i) those board members shall stand for election at the same election at which the other board members are elected under Subsection (3)(a)(i)(B); and
- (ii) the board member receiving the highest number of votes is elected to the board of the new district or remaining district, as the case may be, for the local school board district in which the board member resides.
 - (4) (a) Within 45 days after the canvass date:

315/	(1) a transition team to represent the remaining district shall be appointed by the	
3158	members of the existing district board who reside within the area of the remaining district, in	
3159	consultation with:	
3160	(A) the legislative bodies of all municipalities in the area of the remaining district; and	
3161	(B) the legislative body of the county in which the remaining district is located, if the	
3162	remaining district includes one or more unincorporated areas of the county; and	
3163	(ii) another transition team to represent the new district shall be appointed by:	
3164	(A) for a new district located entirely within the boundaries of a single city, the	
3165	legislative body of that city; or	
3166	(B) for each other new district, the legislative bodies of all interlocal agreement	
3167	participants.	
3168	(b) The school district board of the existing school district shall, within 60 days after	
3169	the canvass date:	
3170	(i) prepare an inventory of the existing district's:	
3171	(A) property, both tangible and intangible, real and personal; and	
3172	(B) liabilities; and	
3173	(ii) deliver a copy of the inventory to each of the transition teams.	
3174	(c) (i) (A) The transition teams appointed under Subsection (4)(a) shall, subject to	
3175	Subsection (4)(c)(iii):	
3176	(I) determine the allocation of the existing district's property and, except for	
3177	indebtedness under Section 53A-2-121, liabilities between the remaining district and the new	
3178	district in accordance with Subsection (4)(c)(ii);	
3179	(II) prepare a written report detailing how the existing district's property and, except for	
3180	indebtedness under Section 53A-2-121, liabilities are to be allocated, including:	
3181	(Aa) a designation of the property that should be transferred to the new district;	
3182	(Bb) a designation of any property that should be shared between the remaining district	
3183	and the new district; and	
3184	(Cc) a designation of any property that will need to be allocated by arbitration under	
3185	Subsection (4)(d); and	
3186	(III) deliver a copy of the written report to:	
3187	(Aa) the school district board of the existing district:	

3188	(Bb) the school district board of the remaining district; and
3189	(Cc) the school district board of the new district.
3190	(B) The transition teams shall determine the allocation under Subsection (4)(c)(i)(A)(I)
3191	and deliver the report required under Subsection (4)(c)(i)(A)(II) before August 1 of the year
3192	following the election at which voters approve the creation of a new district, unless that
3193	deadline is extended by the mutual agreement of:
3194	(I) if the agreement is made before July 15 of the year following the creation election
3195	date:
3196	(Aa) the school district board of the existing district; and
3197	(Bb) [(aa)] (Ii) the legislative body of the city in which the new district is located, for a
3198	new district located entirely within a single city; or
3199	[(bb)] (IIii) the legislative bodies of all interlocal agreement participants, for each other
3200	new district; or
3201	(II) if the agreement is made on or after July 15 of the year following the creation
3202	election date:
3203	(Aa) the school district board of the remaining district; and
3204	(Bb) the school district board of the new district.
3205	(ii) Subject to Subsection (4)(c)(iii), all property, assets, and liabilities that the existing
3206	district owns on the allocation date, both tangible and intangible, real and personal, shall be
3207	allocated between the remaining district and the new district in a way that is fair and equitable
3208	to both the remaining district and the new district, taking into account:
3209	(A) the relative student populations between the remaining district and new district;
3210	(B) the relative assessed value of taxable property between the remaining district and
3211	the new district;
3212	(C) the historical amount of property used to deliver educational services to students in
3213	the remaining district and the new district;
3214	(D) any money made available for the use of the new district under Subsection (5);
3215	[and]
3216	(E) the agreed value of school buildings and associated property allocated to the
3217	remaining district and the new district under Subsection (4)(c)(iii)(A); and
3218	(F) any other factors that the transition teams consider relevant in dividing the property

in a fair and equitable manner.

- (iii) (A) The transition teams shall allocate each school building and associated property used primarily to provide educational services to local residents and not serving district-wide purposes to the school district that would best serve the existing student population of that school building and associated property.
- (B) Except as provided in Subsection (4)(c)(iii)(A), nothing in this Subsection (4)(c) may be construed to limit the ability of the transition teams to:
- (I) provide that an existing district's property be shared by a remaining district and new district;
- (II) determine, by mutual agreement, that the value of the school buildings and associated property described in Subsection (4)(c)(iii)(A) may be excluded from consideration in the property allocation process under this Subsection (4)(c); or
- (III) provide for any other arrangement with respect to existing district property that is beneficial to and in the best interests of the remaining district and new district.
- (d) (i) Each disagreement between the transition teams about the proper allocation of property between the districts shall be resolved by binding arbitration to a three-member arbitration panel.
- (ii) Each transition team shall, no later than September 1 of the year after the creation election date, appoint one qualified, independent arbitrator to an arbitration panel under this Subsection (4)(d), and those two arbitrators shall, within 15 days after their appointment, appoint a third qualified, independent arbitrator.
- (iii) In the process of resolving a dispute between the transition teams, the arbitration panel may engage the services of one or more professionals to provide technical advice to the panel.
- (iv) The costs of arbitration shall initially be borne entirely by the existing district, but the new district shall reimburse the existing district half of those costs within one year after the new district begins providing educational services.
- (e) Each decision of the transition teams and of the arbitration panel resolving a disagreement between the transition teams is final and binding on the boards of the existing district, remaining district, and new district.
 - (f) (i) All costs and expenses of the transition team that represents a remaining district

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3250	shall be borne by the remaining district.
3251	(ii) All costs and expenses of the transition team that represents a new district shall
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3253	(A) the city whose legislative body appoints the transition team, if the transition team
3254	is appointed by the legislative body of a single city; or
3255	(B) the interlocal agreement participants, if the transition team is appointed by the
3256	legislative bodies of interlocal agreement participants.
3257	(iii) The new district may, to a maximum of \$500,000, reimburse the city or interlocal
3258	agreement participants for:
3259	(A) transition team costs and expenses; and
3260	(B) startup costs and expenses incurred by the city or interlocal agreement participants
3261	on behalf of the new district.
3262	(5) (a) As used in this Subsection (5):
3263	(i) "New district startup costs" means:
3264	(A) costs and expenses incurred by a new district in order to prepare to begin providing
3265	educational services on July 1 of the second calendar year following the creation election date;
3266	and
3267	(B) the costs and expenses of the transition team that represents the new district.
3268	(ii) "Remaining district startup costs" means:
3269	(A) costs and expenses incurred by a remaining district in order to:
3270	(I) make necessary adjustments to deal with the impacts resulting from the creation of
3271	the new district; and
3272	(II) prepare to provide educational services within the remaining district once the new
3273	district begins providing educational services within the new district; and
3274	(B) the costs and expenses of the transition team that represents the remaining district.
3275	(b) (i) By July 25 of the year following the creation election date, the existing district
3276	shall make half of the undistributed reserve from its General Fund, to a maximum of

(ii) The existing district may make additional funds available for the use of the remaining district and the new district beyond the amount specified in Subsection (5)(b)(i)

\$9,000,000, available for the use of the remaining district and the new district, as provided in

district; or

3281	through an interlocal agreement.
3282	(c) The existing district shall make the money under Subsection (5)(b) available to the
3283	remaining district and the new district proportionately based on student population.
3284	(d) The money made available under Subsection (5)(b) may be accessed and spent by:
3285	(i) for the remaining district, the school district board of the remaining district; and
3286	(ii) for the new district, the school district board of the new district.
3287	(e) (i) The remaining district may use its portion of the money made available under
3288	Subsection (5)(b) to pay for remaining district startup costs.
3289	(ii) The new district may use its portion of the money made available under Subsection
3290	(5)(b) to pay for new district startup costs.
3291	(6) (a) The existing district shall transfer title or, if applicable, partial title of property
3292	to the new school district in accordance with the allocation of property by:
3293	(i) the transition teams, as stated in the report under Subsection (4)(c)(i)(A)(II); and
3294	(ii) the arbitration panel, if applicable.
3295	(b) The existing district shall complete each transfer of title or, if applicable, partial
3296	title to real property and vehicles by July 1 of the second calendar year following the creation
3297	election date, except as that date is changed by the mutual agreement of:
3298	(i) the school district board of the existing district;
3299	(ii) the school district board of the remaining district; and
3300	(iii) the school district board of the new district.
3301	(c) The existing district shall complete the transfer of all property not included in
3302	Subsection (6)(b) by November 1 of the second calendar year after the creation election date.
3303	(7) Except as provided in Subsections (5) and (6), after the creation election date an
3304	existing school district may not transfer or agree to transfer title to district property without the
3305	prior consent of:
3306	(a) if the transfer or agreement to transfer is before July 15 of the year following the
3307	creation election date:
3308	(i) the legislative body of the city in which the new district is located, for a new district
3309	located entirely within a single city; or

(ii) the legislative bodies of all interlocal agreement participants, for each other new

3312	(b) if the transfer or agreement to transfer is on or after July 15 of the year following
3313	the creation election date but before July 15 of the second calendar year following the creation
3314	election date:
3315	(i) the school district board of the remaining district; and
3316	(ii) the school district board of the new district.
3317	(8) This section applies to and governs all actions and proceedings relating to and
3318	following the creation of a new district, whether the election under Subsection 53A-2-118(5)
3319	on the proposal to create a new school district occurs before or after May 5, 2008, including:
3320	(a) the election of school district board members; and
3321	(b) transition team duties and responsibilities, whether the transition team is appointed
3322	before or after May 5, 2008.
3323	Section 61. Section 59-2-305.5 is enacted to read:
3324	59-2-305.5. Boundary actions not effective for purposes of assessment until
3325	required documents are recorded.
3326	(1) As used in this section:
3327	(a) "Affected area" means:
3328	(i) in the case of the creation or incorporation of a local entity, the area within the
3329	newly created local entity's boundary;
3330	(ii) in the case of an annexation of an area into an existing local entity, the annexed
3331	area;
3332	(iii) in the case of an adjustment of a boundary between local entities, the area that
3333	before the boundary adjustment was in the boundary of one local entity but becomes, because
3334	of the boundary adjustment, included within the boundary of another local entity;
3335	(iv) in the case of the withdrawal or disconnection of an area from a local entity, the
3336	area that is withdrawn or disconnected;
3337	(v) in the case of the consolidation of multiple local entities, the area within the
3338	boundary of the consolidated local entity;
3339	(vi) in the case of the division of a local entity into multiple local entities, the area
3340	within the boundary of each new local entity created by the division; and
3341	(vii) in the case of the dissolution of a local entity, the area that used to be within the
3342	former boundary of the dissolved local entity.

3343	(b) "Applicable certificate" has the same meaning as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5.
3344	(c) "Boundary action" has the same meaning as defined in Section 17-23-20.
3345	(d) "Effective date" means the effective date, under applicable statute, of the boundary
3346	action that is the subject of an applicable certificate.
3347	(e) "Local entity" has the same meaning as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5.
3348	(f) "Required documents" means the documents relating to a boundary action that are
3349	required under applicable statute to be submitted to the county recorder for recording following
3350	the lieutenant governor's issuance of an applicable certificate.
3351	(2) Notwithstanding the effective date, a boundary action is not effective for purposes
3352	of assessing under this part the property located within the affected area until the required
3353	documents are recorded in the office of the recorder of each county in which the affected area
3354	is located.
3355	Section 62. Section 63F-1-506 is amended to read:
3356	63F-1-506. Automated Geographic Reference Center.
3357	(1) There is created the Automated Geographic Reference Center as part of the
3358	division.
3359	(2) The center shall:
3360	(a) provide geographic information system services to state agencies under rules
3361	adopted in accordance with Section 63F-1-504 and policies established by the division;
3362	(b) provide geographic information system services to federal government, local
3363	political subdivisions, and private persons under rules and policies established by the division;
3364	(c) manage the State Geographic Information Database; and
3365	(d) establish standard format, lineage, and other requirements for the database.
3366	(3) (a) There is created a position of surveyor within the center [which surveyor shall].
3367	(b) The surveyor under this Subsection (3) shall:
3368	(i) be licensed as a professional land surveyor under Title 58, Chapter 22, Professional
3369	Engineers and Land Surveyors Licensing Act[, and shall have the following duties:]:
3370	[(a)] (ii) provide technical support to the office of lieutenant governor in [evaluating
3371	boundary creation or boundary changes prior to certification by the lieutenant governor under
3372	Section 67-1a-6.5;] the lieutenant governor's evaluation under Section 67-1a-6.5 of a proposed
3373	boundary action, as defined in Section 17-23-20;

3374	(iii) as requested by a county surveyor, provide technical assistance to the county
3375	surveyor with respect to the county surveyor's responsibilities under Section 17-23-20;
3376	(iv) fulfill the duties described in Section 17-50-105, if engaged to do so as provided in
3377	that section;
3378	[(b)] (v) assist the State Tax Commission in processing and quality assurance of
3379	boundary descriptions or maps into digital format for inclusion in the State Geographic
3380	Information Database;
3381	[(c)] (vi) coordinate with county recorders and surveyors to create a statewide parcel
3382	layer in the State Geographic Information Database containing parcel boundary, parcel
3383	identifier, parcel address, owner type, and county recorder contact information; and
3384	[(d)] (vii) facilitate and integrate the collection efforts of local government and federal
3385	agencies for data collection to densify and enhance the statewide Public Land Survey System
3386	reference network in the State Geographic Information Database.
3387	(4) The division may:
3388	(a) make rules and establish policies to govern the center and its operations; and
3389	(b) set fees for the services provided by the center.
3390	(5) The state may not sell information obtained from counties under Subsection
3391	$(3)[\frac{(c)}{(b)(v)}]$.
3392	Section 63. Section 63F-1-507 is amended to read:
3393	63F-1-507. State Geographic Information Database.
3394	(1) There is created a State Geographic Information Database to be managed by the
3395	center.
3396	(2) The database shall:
3397	(a) serve as the central reference for all information contained in any GIS database by
3398	any state agency;
3399	(b) serve as a clearing house and repository for all data layers required by multiple
3400	users;
3401	(c) serve as a standard format for geographic information acquired, purchased, or
3402	produced by any state agency; and
3403	(d) include an accurate representation of all civil subdivision boundaries of the state.
3404	(3) Each state agency that acquires, purchases, or produces digital geographic

3405	information data shall:
3406	(a) inform the center of the existence of the data layers and their geographic extent;
3407	(b) allow the center access to all data classified public; and
3408	(c) comply with any database requirements established by the center.
3409	(4) At least annually, the State Tax Commission shall deliver to the center information
3410	the State Tax Commission receives under [Sections 10-1-116, 11-13-204, 11-13-205, 17-2-4,
3411	17-2-9, 17-3-3, 17B-1-215, and 17C-1-201] <u>Section 67-1a-6.5</u> relating to the creation or
3412	modification of the boundaries of [the] political subdivisions [that are the subject of those
3413	sections].
3414	(5) The boundary of a political subdivision within the State Geographic Information
3415	Database is the official boundary of the political subdivision for purposes of meeting the needs
3416	of the United States Bureau of the Census in identifying the boundary of the political
3417	subdivision.
3418	Section 64. Section 63G-7-401 is amended to read:
3419	63G-7-401. Claim for injury Notice Contents Service Legal disability
3420	Appointment of guardian ad litem.
3421	(1) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (1)(b), a claim arises when the statute of
3422	limitations that would apply if the claim were against a private person begins to run.
3423	(b) The statute of limitations does not begin to run until a claimant knew, or with the
3424	exercise of reasonable diligence should have known:
3425	(i) that the claimant had a claim against the governmental entity or its employee; and
3426	(ii) the identity of the governmental entity or the name of the employee.
3427	(c) The burden to prove the exercise of reasonable diligence is upon the claimant.
3428	(2) Any person having a claim against a governmental entity, or against its employee
3429	for an act or omission occurring during the performance of the employee's duties, within the
3430	scope of employment, or under color of authority shall file a written notice of claim with the
3431	entity before maintaining an action, regardless of whether or not the function giving rise to the
3432	claim is characterized as governmental.
3433	(3) (a) The notice of claim shall set forth:
3434	(i) a brief statement of the facts;
3435	(ii) the nature of the claim asserted;

3436	(iii) the damages incurred by the claimant so far as they are known; and
3437	(iv) if the claim is being pursued against a governmental employee individually as
3438	provided in Subsection 63G-7-202(3)(c), the name of the employee.
3439	(b) The notice of claim shall be:
3440	(i) signed by the person making the claim or that person's agent, attorney, parent, or
3441	legal guardian; and
3442	(ii) directed and delivered by hand or by mail according to the requirements of Section
3443	68-3-8.5 to the office of:
3444	(A) the city or town clerk, when the claim is against an incorporated city or town;
3445	(B) the county clerk, when the claim is against a county;
3446	(C) the superintendent or business administrator of the board, when the claim is against
3447	a school district or board of education;
3448	(D) the presiding officer or secretary/clerk of the board, when the claim is against a
3449	local district or special service district;
3450	(E) the attorney general, when the claim is against the state [of Utah];
3451	(F) a member of the governing board, the executive director, or executive secretary,
3452	when the claim is against any other public board, commission, or body; or
3453	(G) the agent authorized by a governmental entity to receive the notice of claim by the
3454	governmental entity under Subsection (5)(e).
3455	(4) (a) If an injury that may reasonably be expected to result in a claim against a
3456	governmental entity is sustained by a claimant who is under the age of majority or mentally
3457	incompetent, that governmental entity may file a request with the court for the appointment of a
3458	guardian ad litem for the potential claimant.
3459	(b) If a guardian ad litem is appointed, the time for filing a claim under Section
3460	63G-7-402 begins when the order appointing the guardian is issued.
3461	(5) (a) Each governmental entity subject to suit under this chapter shall file a statement
3462	with the Division of Corporations and Commercial Code within the Department of Commerce
3463	containing:
3464	(i) the name and address of the governmental entity;
3465	(ii) the office or agent designated to receive a notice of claim; and
3466	(iii) the address at which it is to be directed and delivered.

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3467 (b) Each governmental entity shall update its statement as necessary to ensure that the 3468 information is accurate. 3469 (c) The Division of Corporations and Commercial Code shall develop a form for 3470 governmental entities to complete that provides the information required by Subsection (5)(a). 3471 (d) (i) [Newly] A newly incorporated [municipalities] municipality shall file the 3472 statement required by Subsection (5)(a) [at the time that the statement of incorporation and 3473 boundaries is filed with] promptly after the lieutenant governor issues a certificate of 3474 incorporation under Section [10-1-106] 67-1a-6.5. 3475 (ii) [Newly] A newly incorporated local [districts] district shall file the statement 3476 required by Subsection (5)(a) at the time that the written notice is filed with the lieutenant 3477 governor under Section 17B-1-215. 3478 (e) A governmental entity may, in its statement, identify an agent authorized by the 3479 entity to accept notices of claim on its behalf. 3480 (6) The Division of Corporations and Commercial Code shall: 3481 (a) maintain an index of the statements required by this section arranged both 3482 alphabetically by entity and by county of operation; and 3483 (b) make the indices available to the public both electronically and via hard copy. 3484 (7) A governmental entity may not challenge the validity of a notice of claim on the 3485 grounds that it was not directed and delivered to the proper office or agent if the error is caused 3486 by the governmental entity's failure to file or update the statement required by Subsection (5). 3487 Section 65. Section 67-1a-2 is amended to read: 3488 67-1a-2. Duties enumerated. 3489 (1) The lieutenant governor shall: 3490 (a) perform duties delegated by the governor, including assignments to serve in any of 3491 the following capacities: 3492 (i) as the head of any one department, if so qualified, with the consent of the Senate. 3493 and, upon appointment at the pleasure of the governor and without additional compensation; 3494 (ii) as the chairperson of any cabinet group organized by the governor or authorized by 3495 law for the purpose of advising the governor or coordinating intergovernmental or 3496 interdepartmental policies or programs;

(iii) as liaison between the governor and the state Legislature to coordinate and

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appropriate by the lieutenant governor;

received from the attorney general;

3498	facilitate the governor's programs and budget requests;
3499	(iv) as liaison between the governor and other officials of local, state, federal, and
3500	international governments or any other political entities to coordinate, facilitate, and protect the
3501	interests of the state;
3502	(v) as personal advisor to the governor, including advice on policies, programs,
3503	administrative and personnel matters, and fiscal or budgetary matters; and
3504	(vi) as chairperson or member of any temporary or permanent boards, councils,
3505	commissions, committees, task forces, or other group appointed by the governor;
3506	(b) serve on all boards and commissions in lieu of the governor, whenever so
3507	designated by the governor;
3508	(c) serve as the chief election officer of the state as required by Subsection (2);
3509	(d) keep custody of the Great Seal of Utah;
3510	(e) keep a register of, and attest, the official acts of the governor;
3511	(f) affix the Great Seal, with an attestation, to all official documents and instruments to
3512	which the official signature of the governor is required; and
3513	(g) furnish a certified copy of all or any part of any law, record, or other instrument
3514	filed, deposited, or recorded in the office of the lieutenant governor to any person who requests
3515	it and pays the fee.
3516	(2) (a) As the chief election officer, the lieutenant governor shall:
3517	(i) exercise general supervisory authority over all elections;
3518	(ii) exercise direct authority over the conduct of elections for federal, state, and
3519	multicounty officers and statewide or multicounty ballot propositions and any recounts
3520	involving those races;
3521	(iii) assist county clerks in unifying the election ballot;
3522	(iv) (A) prepare election information for the public as required by statute and as
3523	determined appropriate by the lieutenant governor;
3524	(B) make the information under Subsection (2)(a)(iv)(A) available to the public and to
3525	news media on the Internet and in other forms as required by statute or as determined

(v) receive and answer election questions and maintain an election file on opinions

3529	(vi) maintain a current list of registered political parties as defined in Section
3530	20A-8-101;
3531	(vii) maintain election returns and statistics;
3532	(viii) certify to the governor the names of those persons who have received the highest
3533	number of votes for any office;
3534	(ix) ensure that all voting equipment purchased by the state complies with the
3535	requirements of Subsection 20A-5-302(2) and Sections 20A-5-402.5 and 20A-5-402.7; and
3536	(x) perform other election duties as provided in Title 20A, Election Code.
3537	(b) As chief election officer, the lieutenant governor may not assume the
3538	responsibilities assigned to the county clerks, city recorders, town clerks, or other local election
3539	officials by Title 20A, Election Code.
3540	(3) (a) The lieutenant governor shall:
3541	(i) (A) determine a new city's classification under Section 10-2-301 upon the city's
3542	incorporation under Title 10, Chapter 2, Part 1, Incorporation, based on the city's population
3543	using the population estimate from the Utah Population Estimates Committee; and
3544	(B) (I) prepare a certificate indicating the class in which the new city belongs based on
3545	the city's population; and
3546	(II) within ten days after preparing the certificate, deliver a copy of the certificate to the
3547	city's legislative body;
3548	(ii) (A) determine the classification under Section 10-2-301 of a consolidated
3549	municipality upon the consolidation of multiple municipalities under Title 10, Chapter 2, Part
3550	6, Consolidation of Municipalities, using population information from:
3551	(I) each official census or census estimate of the United States Bureau of the Census;
3552	<u>or</u>
3553	(II) the population estimate from the Utah Population Estimates Committee, if the
3554	population of a municipality is not available from the United States Bureau of the Census; and
3555	(B) (I) prepare a certificate indicating the class in which the consolidated municipality
3556	belongs based on the municipality's population; and
3557	(II) within ten days after preparing the certificate, deliver a copy of the certificate to the
3558	consolidated municipality's legislative body; and
3559	(iii) monitor the population of each municipality using population information from:

3300	(A) each official census of census estimate of the Office States Bureau of the Census,
3561	<u>or</u>
3562	(B) the population estimate from the Utah Population Estimates Committee, if the
3563	population of a municipality is not available from the United States Bureau of the Census.
3564	(b) If the applicable population figure under Subsection (3)(a)(ii) or (iii) indicates that
3565	a municipality's population has increased beyond the population for its current class, the
3566	lieutenant governor shall:
3567	(i) prepare a certificate indicating the class in which the municipality belongs based on
3568	the increased population figure; and
3569	(ii) within ten days after preparing the certificate, deliver a copy of the certificate to the
3570	legislative body of the municipality whose class has changed.
3571	(c) (i) If the applicable population figure under Subsection (3)(a)(ii) or (iii) indicates
3572	that a municipality's population has decreased below the population for its current class, the
3573	lieutenant governor shall send written notification of that fact to the municipality's legislative
3574	<u>body.</u>
3575	(ii) Upon receipt of a petition under Subsection 10-2-302(2) from a municipality whose
3576	population has decreased below the population for its current class, the lieutenant governor
3577	shall:
3578	(A) prepare a certificate indicating the class in which the municipality belongs based
3579	on the decreased population figure; and
3580	(B) within ten days after preparing the certificate, deliver a copy of the certificate to the
3581	legislative body of the municipality whose class has changed.
3582	Section 66. Section 67-1a-6.5 is repealed and reenacted to read:
3583	67-1a-6.5. Certification of local entity boundary actions.
3584	(1) As used in this section:
3585	(a) "Applicable certificate" means:
3586	(i) for the impending incorporation of a city, town, local district, or conservation
3587	district, a certificate of incorporation;
3588	(ii) for the impending creation of a county, school district, special service district,
3589	community development and renewal agency, or interlocal entity, a certificate of creation;
3590	(iii) for the impending annexation of territory to an existing local entity, a certificate of

3591	annexation;
3592	(iv) for the impending withdrawal or disconnection of territory from an existing local
3593	entity, a certificate of withdrawal or disconnection, respectively;
3594	(v) for the impending consolidation of multiple local entities, a certificate of
3595	consolidation;
3596	(vi) for the impending division of a local entity into multiple local entities, a certificate
3597	of division;
3598	(vii) for the impending adjustment of a common boundary between local entities, a
3599	certificate of boundary adjustment; and
3600	(viii) for the impending dissolution of a local entity, a certificate of dissolution.
3601	(b) "Approved final local entity plat" means a final local entity plat, as defined in
3602	Section 17-23-20, that has been approved under Section 17-23-20 as a final local entity plat by
3603	the county surveyor.
3604	(c) "Approving authority" has the same meaning as defined in Section 17-23-20.
3605	(d) "Boundary action" has the same meaning as defined in Section 17-23-20.
3606	(e) "Center" means the Automated Geographic Reference Center created under Section
3607	<u>63F-1-506.</u>
3608	(f) "Community development and renewal agency" has the same meaning as defined in
3609	Section 17C-1-102.
3610	(g) "Conservation district" has the same meaning as defined in Section 17D-3-102.
3611	(h) "Interlocal entity" has the same meaning as defined in Section 11-13-103.
3612	(i) "Local district" has the same meaning as defined in Section 17B-1-102.
3613	(j) "Local entity" means a county, city, town, school district, local district, community
3614	development and renewal agency, special service district, conservation district, or interlocal
3615	<u>entity.</u>
3616	(k) "Notice of an impending boundary action" means a written notice, as described in
3617	Subsection (3), that provides notice of an impending boundary action.
3618	(1) "Special service district" has the same meaning as defined in Section 17D-1-102.
3619	(2) Within ten days after receiving a notice of an impending boundary action, the
3620	lieutenant governor shall:
3621	(a) (i) issue the applicable certificate, if:

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3622	(A) the lieutenant governor determines that the notice of an impending boundary action
3623	meets the requirements of Subsection (3); and
3624	(B) except in the case of an impending local entity dissolution, the notice of an
3625	impending boundary action is accompanied by an approved final local entity plat;
3626	(ii) send the applicable certificate to the local entity's approving authority;
3627	(iii) return the original of the approved final local entity plat to the local entity's
3628	approving authority;
3629	(iv) send a copy of the applicable certificate and approved final local entity plat to:
3630	(A) the State Tax Commission;
3631	(B) the center; and
3632	(C) the county assessor, county surveyor, county auditor, and county attorney of each
3633	county in which the property depicted on the approved final local entity plat is located; and
3634	(v) send a copy of the applicable certificate to the state auditor, if the boundary action
3635	that is the subject of the applicable certificate is:
3636	(A) the incorporation or creation of a new local entity;
3637	(B) the consolidation of multiple local entities;
3638	(C) the division of a local entity into multiple local entities; or
3639	(D) the dissolution of a local entity; or
3640	(b) (i) send written notification to the approving authority that the lieutenant governor
3641	is unable to issue the applicable certificate, if:
3642	(A) the lieutenant governor determines that the notice of an impending boundary action
3643	does not meet the requirements of Subsection (3); or
3644	(B) the notice of an impending boundary action is:
3645	(I) not accompanied by an approved final local entity plat; or
3646	(II) accompanied by a plat or final local entity plat that has not been certified as a final
3647	local entity plat by the county surveyor under Section 17-23-20; and
3648	(ii) explain in the notification under Subsection (2)(b)(i) why the lieutenant governor is
3649	unable to issue the applicable certificate.
3650	(3) Each notice of an impending boundary action shall:
3651	(a) be directed to the lieutenant governor;
3652	(b) contain the name of the local entity or, in the case of an incorporation or creation,

3653	tuture local entity, whose boundary is affected or established by the boundary action;
3654	(c) describe the type of boundary action for which an applicable certificate is sought;
3655	<u>and</u>
3656	(d) (i) contain a statement, signed and verified by the approving authority, certifying
3657	that all requirements applicable to the boundary action have been met; or
3658	(ii) in the case of the dissolution of a municipality, be accompanied by a certified copy
3659	of the court order approving the dissolution of the municipality.
3660	(4) The lieutenant governor may require the approving authority to submit a paper or
3661	electronic copy of a notice of an impending boundary action and approved final local entity plat
3662	in conjunction with the filing of the original of those documents.
3663	(5) (a) The lieutenant governor shall:
3664	(i) keep, index, maintain, and make available to the public each notice of an impending
3665	boundary action, approved final local entity plat, applicable certificate, and other document that
3666	the lieutenant governor receives or generates under this section;
3667	(ii) make a copy of each document listed in Subsection (5)(a)(i) available on the
3668	Internet for 12 months after the lieutenant governor receives or generates the document;
3669	(iii) furnish a paper copy of any of the documents listed in Subsection (5)(a)(i) to any
3670	person who requests a paper copy; and
3671	(iv) furnish a certified copy of any of the documents listed in Subsection (5)(a)(i) to
3672	any person who requests a certified copy.
3673	(b) The lieutenant governor may charge a reasonable fee for a paper copy or certified
3674	copy of a document that the lieutenant governor provides under this Subsection (5).
3675	Section 67. Section 67-1a-6.7 is enacted to read:
3676	67-1a-6.7. Certification of local entity name change.
3677	(1) As used in this section:
3678	(a) "Approving authority" means the person or body authorized under statute to
3679	approve the local entity's name change.
3680	(b) "Center" has the same meaning as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5.
3681	(c) "Certificate of name change" means a certificate issued by the lieutenant governor
3682	certifying a local entity's change of name.
3683	(d) "Local entity" has the same meaning as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5.

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3684	(e) "Notice of an impending name change" means a notice, as described in Subsection
3685	(3), that provides notice of a local entity's impending name change.
3686	(2) Within ten days after receiving a notice of an impending name change, the
3687	lieutenant governor shall:
3688	(a) issue a certificate of name change;
3689	(b) send the certificate of name change to the approving authority of the local entity
3690	whose name is being changed; and
3691	(c) send a copy of the certificate of name change to:
3692	(i) the State Tax Commission;
3693	(ii) the state auditor;
3694	(iii) the center; and
3695	(iv) the county assessor, county surveyor, county auditor, and county attorney of each
3696	county in which any part of the local entity is located.
3697	(3) Each notice of an impending name change shall:
3698	(a) be directed to the lieutenant governor;
3699	(b) contain the current name of the local entity;
3700	(c) state the name to which the local entity intends to change;
3701	(d) identify each county in which any part of the local entity is located; and
3702	(e) contain a statement, signed and verified by the approving authority, certifying that
3703	all requirements applicable to the name change have been met.
3704	(4) (a) The lieutenant governor shall:
3705	(i) keep, index, maintain, and make available to the public each notice of an impending
3706	name change, certificate of a name change, and other document that the lieutenant governor
3707	receives or generates under this section;
3708	(ii) make a copy of each document listed in Subsection (4)(a)(i) available on the
3709	Internet for 12 months after the lieutenant governor receives or generates the document;
3710	(iii) furnish a paper copy of any of the documents listed in Subsection (4)(a)(i) to any
3711	person who requests a paper copy; and
3712	(iv) furnish a certified copy of any of the documents listed in Subsection (4)(a)(i) to
3713	any person who requests a certified copy.
3714	(b) The lieutenant governor may charge a reasonable fee for a paper copy or certified

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3715	copy of a document that the lieutenant governor provides under this Subsection (4).
3716	Section 68. Repealer.
3717	This bill repeals:
3718	Section 10-1-116, Notice to lieutenant governor of incorporation, dissolution, or
3719	boundary change Tax rate on new property included in municipality.
3720	Section 10-1-117, Amending articles of incorporation Lieutenant governor
3721	certification Effective date.
3722	Section 10-2-122, When incorporation complete Incorporation presumed
3723	conclusive.
3724	Section 10-2-508, Disconnection completed.
3725	Section 17-2-2, Election returns transmitted to lieutenant governor.
3726	Section 17-2-7, Election returns transmitted to lieutenant governor.
3727	Section 17-3-2, Election returns transmitted to lieutenant governor.

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Fiscal Note

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State Impact

Enactment of this bill will not require additional appropriations.

Individual, Business and/or Local Impact

Enactment of this bill likely will not result in direct, measurable costs and/or benefits for individuals, businesses, or local governments.

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